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Minutes of Town Meeting Held February 7, 1916

Meeting called to order at 9.40 o'clock by town clerk, A. Bridgman, who read the warrant and then called for action under article 1st.

ART. 1

Moderator, Alvan R. Lewis.

Prayer was offered by Rev. E. P. Kelly.

ART. 2

Voted to waive the reading of all reports and they were all accepted in their regular order except the auditor's which was laid on the table.

ART. 4

Ballot clerks, tellers and counters sworn, ballots delivered to ballot clerks and receipt taken. Keys to ballot box given to J. A. Peeso, constable. Ballot box found empty. Polls opened at 10 o'clock a. m.

Ballot clerks, M. E. Williams and C. W. Hathaway.

Tellers, J. V. Cook and Thomas V. O'Connor.

Gate keepers, C. R. Aldrich and Roy G. Shaw.

Counters, W. A. Kimball and Harry G. Aldrich.

“ W. S. Piper and J. R. Ahearn.

Tree warden, James A. Peeso.

Fence viewers, H. S. Pratt, W. S. Piper and H. H. Ward.

8 measurers of wood, E. A. R. Fairchild, James A. Peeso, W. M. Goodell, E. R. Peeso, H. S. Pratt, E. F. Shumway, Austin Kimball and H. H. Barrett.

8 Surveyors of lumber, E. R. Peeso, H. S. Pratt, H. H. Barrett, Harry Conkey, James A. Peeso, E. F. Shumway, W. S. Piper and A. L. Kimball.

6 Field drivers, W. D. E. Morse, J. W. Hurlburt, Herbert Paine, William Orlando, Manoog H. Jejian and Ashley Randall.

2 Almoners of Whiting Street and Mrs. S. M. D. Bridgman fund, Mrs. M. G. Ward and Mrs. G. L. Witt.

1 Trustee of Calvin Bridgman fund for 3 years, Dr. H. W. Eliot.

ART. 5

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 7,000.00 for support of schools.

ART. 6

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 500.00 for the repairs of school houses.

ART. 7

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 1,500.00 for pauper expenses.

ART. 8

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 3,000.00 for town expenses.

ART. 9

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 3,000.00 for highways and bridges. Motion of M. A. Morse was made and carried. Moved that the superintendent of streets be instructed to apportion the money raised for repairs of highways to the several highway districts as found in a former town report and that a resident of the district shall have charge of the work if a suitable person can be found.

ART. 10

Voted to pay for the bond of the treasurer.

ART. 11

Voted to pay for the bond, stationery and postage of the tax collector not to exceed \$ 40.00.

ART. 12

Voted to leave the care of the town hall with the selectmen.

ART. 13

Voted to lay on the table and take up articles 25 and 31.

ART. 25

Voted to maintain the lamp in front of Arnold J. Rowe's house and to place and maintain one near the house of W. D. E. Morse on Federal street and one on New street near the house of Mrs. Susan E. Chapman and one on Walnut street near the house of Miss Stella Weston and one on North Main street between the house of Mrs. Ellen Bridgman and Mr. Walter Dunbar, location to be left with the selectmen.

ART. 31

Voted to put 2 more lights in the south part, one near the house of James Fitzgerald and one at Thomas Connor's corner; and then voted to take up article 30.

ART. 30

Voted not to pay the car fare of children from the south part of the town to the High school.

ART. 13

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 1,300.00 to defray the expense of lighting the streets for the year ensuing.

ART. 14

Voted the ringing of the bell and care of the clock to be left with the selectmen.

ART. 15

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 100.00 to defray the expense of mowing, fencing and keeping in repair the several burying

grounds.

ART. 16

Voted a committee of 3 be appointed by the chair to be known as the committee on appropriations and the following were appointed: M. S. Barton, M. G. Ward and Guy C. Allen.

ART. 17

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 700.00 to pay discount on notes and \$ 2,000.00 to apply on notes at the First National Bank of Amherst.

ART. 18

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 250.00 for suppression of the brown tail moth.

ART. 19

Voted to accept the report of the Water committee and that the report of the Water commissioner be laid on the table.

ART. 20

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 100.00 for spraying and trimming shade trees.

ART. 21

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 500.00 to reimburse the Commonwealth for money due for abolition of grade crossing at Barrett's Junction, due Nov. 15th, 1916, with interest at 3½ per cent from July 22, 1914.

ART. 22

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 50.00 for the G. A. R. for Memorial day.

ART. 23

Voted to indefinitely postpone action for the sale of the Holyoke district school house.

ART. 24

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 100.00 for the purpose of ele-

vating the sidewalk etc. in accordance with the article.

ART. 26

Voted to grant Mrs. D. Louise Bridgman permission to set apart a portion of her land north of Mt. Hope cemetery for cemetery purposes, on motion of G. H. B. Green. That Mrs. D. Louise Bridgman be permitted to set apart a portion of her land north of Mt. Hope cemetery for cemetery purposes on condition that no lot (one rod square) shall be sold for more than thirty-five dollars.

ART. 27

Voted to accept the sum of \$ 50.00 bequeathed by Mary E. Leach on condition that the income thereof shall be used for the perpetual care of lot No. 262 in Mt. Hope cemetery.

ART. 28

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 1,000.00 to use in conjunction with \$ 2,000.00 to be provided by the state of Massachusetts under the supervision of the state Highway commission, the money to be used on the highway between Amherst and Belchertown commencing near the Amherst line, and \$ 2,000.00 provided the state gives \$ 4,000.00.

ART. 29

Voted not to pay the estate of George S. Warner \$ 50.00 in addition to \$ 75.00 already received for collecting a portion of the taxes for the year of 1914.

ART. 32

Voted to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning Jan. 1st, 1916, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 22,000.00, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable in one year.

ART. 33

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 701.28 to meet the obligations incurred by the committee on Water supply

for the engineering services of James L. Tighe, consulting engineer, and W. H. and H. W. Brainard, surveyors.

ART. 34

Voted to accept a bequest of \$100.00 from Mary W. Shumway on condition that the income from the same be expended in the care of the lot in which she and her husband, Geo. F. Shumway, are buried, said lot being in the South or Forward cemetery.

ART. 3

At 6 o'clock P. M., the counting of the ballots being completed, the clerk announced as follows:

Whole number of votes cast, males 359, females 3.

TOWN CLERK

A. Bridgman, 215 votes, blanks 144.

SELECTMEN

	votes		votes
Francis M. Austin	195	Edward R. Peeso	189
Michael E. Cavanaugh	42	Herbert F. Shaw	92
E. A. Rudd Fairchild	136	Edwin F. Shumway	181
John J. Garvey	107	Blanks	135

TOWN TREASURER

A. Bridgman, 284 votes; blanks 75.

ASSESSOR

Frank E. Austin, 156 votes Almon L. Pratt, 177 votes
blanks 26.

AUDITOR

George F. Lincoln, 162 votes Fred D. Walker, 151 votes

TAX COLLECTOR

Walter D. E. Morse, 296 votes; blanks 63.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE 2 years

Roswell Allen, 207 votes Chester Canterbury, 106 votes

blanks 46.

CONSTABLES

	votes		votes
Michael F. Austin	167	Thomas F. Austin	77
John Garvey, Jr.	79	Wesley M. Goodell	121
Myron S. Barton	196	Eugene F. Flaherty	142
William Mansfield	117	Herbert D. Peeso	123
James A. Peeso	168	Dwight F. Shumway	140

BURIAL GROUND COMMISSIONER

Fred L. Nooney, 255 votes; blanks 104.

LIQUOR LICENSE

Yes, 218 votes; No, 126 votes; blanks 15.

Meeting dissolved at 6.30 o'clock.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

Special Town Meeting

MAY 15, 1916

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Belchertown on Monday the fifteenth day of May at 8 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st, 1916, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year. Any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

ART. 3. To see what action the town will take in regard to building a new bridge over Jabish brook near the underpass

at Barrett's Junction and to appropriate money for same.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight and one at Keyes' hotel, seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this sixth day of May A. D. 1916.

E. F. SHUMWAY	}	<i>Selectmen</i>
E. R. PEESO		<i>of</i>
F. M. AUSTIN		<i>Belchertown</i>

By virtue of this warrant I have posted attested copies in the within named places.

J. A. PEESO, *Constable*

DOINGS ON THE WARRANT

May 15, 1916

Meeting called to order by A. Bridgman town clerk at 8 o'clock who read the warrant and called for action on article first.

ART. 1

Moderator George H. B. Green.

ART. 2

Voted that the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st, 1916, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year. Any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from revenues of said financial year.

ART. 3

Voted to leave with the selectmen and road commissioner to renew or repair said bridge as in their judgment was for the best interest for the town.

At 10 o'clock no other business coming before the meeting the meeting voted to dissolve.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

Special Town Meeting

NOV. 11, 1916

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the town hall in said Belchertown on Saturday, November 11th, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will vote to petition the director of the Bureau of Statistics for an audit of the town account.

ART. 3. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Baptist church, one at Dwight and one at Keyes' Hotel seven days before the time of holding the aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of holding aforesaid meeting.

Given under our hands this fourth day of November A. D. 1916.

E. F. SHUMWAY	}	<i>Selectmen of Belchertown</i>
F. M. AUSTIN		

By virtue of this warrant I have posted the copies at the within named places.

Nov. 4, 1916

JAMES A. PEESO, *Constable*

DOINGS ON THE WARRANT

Nov. 11, 1916

Meeting called to order at 2 o'clock p. m. by A. Bridgman, town clerk, who read the warrant and then called for action under article first. Motion was made that the clerk be instructed to cast one vote for A. R. Lewis for moderator.

ART. 1

Moderator, Alvan R. Lewis.

ART. 2

Voted that the town petition the director of the Bureau of Statistics for an audit of the town's account for such period as may be necessary to prepare a correct statement of the financial condition of the town. Motion of A. F. Bardwell.

ART. 3

No other business coming before the meeting the meeting was dissolved at 2.10 o'clock.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

Report of Town Clerk

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1916

STATISTICS OF

BIRTHS

January	6	April	3	July	3	October	3
February	3	May	1	August	3	November	0
March	5	June	1	September	5	December	4
Males 19				Females 18			

RETURN OF BIRTHS

Dr. J. L. Collard	17	Dr. S. O. Miller	2
Dr. H. W. Eliot	3	Dr. C. H. Giroux	9
Dr. W. B. Segur	2	Dr. Jacob Stowell	1
Dr. G. W. Rawson	1	J. F. Sheehan, City Clerk	2

MARRIAGES

Number of intentions	18
Number of marriages	15
First marriages, males 11, females	12
Second " " 4 " "	3
Youngest males	20
Oldest " "	71

DEATHS

January	2	April	2	July	1	October	2
February	3	May	4	August	3	November	9
March	3	June	3	September	1	December	3
Males		19		Females		17	
Native born		27		Foreign		9	
Number of town meetings						6	
Mortgages and attachments						10	

DOG LICENSES

Males, 200 at \$ 2.00	\$ 400.00
Females, 13 at \$ 5.00	65.00
Paid the above (less fees) to county treasurer.	

Respectfully submitted,

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

Report of Supt. of Streets

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1916

DISTRICT NO. 1

M. A. MORSE, SUPT.

Paid J. A. Peeso	\$ 108.67
Dwight Jepson, snow	.55
Henry Ann, snow	.55
Frank Lemon, snow	3.63
Harry Ward	2.00
William Stone	1.00
G. N. Cook	3.50
Leon Weston	2.41
James Thayer	1.75
J. M. Armitage	4.62
J. C. Maloney	4.00
Hamilton Bros.	26.25
George Kelley	1.50
Fred W. Allen	8.56
Fred Dewey	15.25
Howard Spencer	1.00
	\$ 185.24

DISTRICT NO. 2

H. C. DODGE, SUPT.

Paid H. C. Dodge	\$ 102.25
H. A. Dennett	14.25

Paid Herbert Story	\$ 2.00	
Harry Conkey	2.00	
Pratt Bros.	2.00	
George Kenfield, gravel	4.20	
James Thayer	6.00	
		\$ 132.70

DISTRICT NO. 3

H. D. PAINE, SUPT.

Paid H. D. Paine, snow	\$ 27.17	
H. D. Paine	66.69	
		\$ 93.86

DISTRICT NO. 4

A. L. KIMBALL, SUPT.

Paid A. L. Kimball, snow	\$ 7.85	
R. E. Mead, snow	6.86	
A. L. Kimball, plank	21.80	
A. L. Kimball	161.40	
		\$ 197.91

DISTRICT NOS. 5-6-7

F. D. GOODALE, SUPT.

Paid F. D. Goodale, snow	\$ 20.20	
“ bridge and repairs	73.98	
“	157.65	
C. A. Mayo, snow	9.90	
		\$ 261.73

DISTRICT NO. 8

G. L. CLOUGH, SUPT.

Paid G. L. Clough, snow	\$ 14.73	
G. L. Clough	52.79	
George Fife	18.00	
George Moody	1.75	
Hamilton Bros.	9.05	
F. S. Wilson	10.10	
		\$ 106.42

DISTRICT NO. 9

H. M. LAMSON, SUPT.

Paid H. M. Lamson, snow	\$ 47.39	
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Paid H. M. Lamson	\$ 39.25	
Clarence Lamson	8.70	
		\$ 95.34

DISTRICT NO. 10

W. A. SAUER, SUPT.

Paid W. A. Sauer, snow	\$ 40.35	
W. A. Sauer	150.35	
Ashley Randall	24.25	
C. M. Rhodes	11.25	
Raymond Gray	5.00	
		\$ 231.20

DISTRICT NO. 11

J. F. MORIARTY, SUPT.

Paid J. F. Moriarty, snow	\$ 77.56	
J. F. Moriarty	121.30	
Maurice Moriarty	39.09	
Thomas Moriarty	19.00	
		\$ 256.95

DISTRICT NO. 12

E. F. FLAHERTY, SUPT.

Paid E. F. Flaherty	\$ 198.60	
Henry Dubuque, snow	37.74	
John Ahearn, snow	3.75	
Anthony Wludyka, snow	3.00	
Thomas Austin	5.25	
Homer Courtiur	16.00	
George Ardill	5.25	
Peter Garvey	8.00	
William Stone	1.75	
John Ahearn	11.25	
Fred Burnett	7.88	
John D. Shea	7.12	
		\$ 305.59

DISTRICT NO. 13

JERRY CAVANAUGH, SUPT.

Paid Jerry Cavanaugh, snow	\$ 51.09	
Jerry Cavanaugh	305.18	

Paid Thomas Sullivan, snow	\$ 7.00	
John Spellman, snow	9.00	
George Harvey	5.25	
Emory Squires	2.00	
J. M. Armitage	3.00	
Hamilton Bros.	25.00	
James Thayer	3.00	
		\$ 310.52

DISTRICT NO. 14

M. F AUSTIN, SUPT.

Paid M. F. Austin, snow	\$ 41.84	
M. F. Austin	149.69	
F. B. Alden, posts	3.75	
		\$ 195.28

DISTRICT NO. 15

THOMAS BOWLER, SUPT.

Paid Thomas Bowler, snow	\$ 69.61	
Thomas Bowler, culvert	11.62	
M. F. Bowler	22.75	
		\$ 103.98

DISTRICT NO. 16

E. F. SHUMWAY, SUPT.

Paid F. F. Shumway, snow	\$ 10.40	
E. F. Shumway	56.63	
J. W. Hurlburt, snow	4.50	
J. W. Hurlburt	15.00	
		\$ 86.53

DISTRICT NO. 17

C. E. BOOTH, SUPT.

Paid C. E. Booth, snow	\$ 2.50	
C. E. Booth	26.30	
L. B. Turner	7.00	
		\$ 35.80

DISTRICT NO. 18

H. F. PUTNAM, SUPT.

Paid H. F. Putnam, snow	\$ 21.56	
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Paid H. F. Putnam	\$ 45.64	
Carl Kimball	10.50	
		\$ 77.70

DISTRICT NO. 19

M. C. BARDWELL, SUPT.

Paid M. C. Bardwell, snow	\$ 22.12	
Peter Gordon, snow	9.19	
		\$ 31.31

GENERAL REPAIRS

Paid E. R. P so, plank	\$ 24.37	
W. S. Piper	54.35	
New England Metal Co.	76.36	
H. F. Curtis, repairs on scraper	1.50	
George Coleman, plank	1.50	
Roswell Allen, plank	1.97	
M. A. Morse, snow	18.15	
“ gravel	25.80	
“ supervision	50.00	
“	92.80	
		\$ 346.80

SUMMARY

Amount Appropriated	\$ 3,000.00
Expenditures	
Paid repairs, culverts and railings	\$ 2,282.11
snow bills	\$ 568.19
bridges, pipe and plank	204.56
	\$ 3,054.86
Excess of appropriation	\$ 54.86
Bills previously contracted	336.76
Total excess	\$ 391.62

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. MORSE, *Superintendent of Streets*G. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor*

January 25, 1917

SPECIMEN BILL USED BY SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

No. \$ 57
 Approved Oct. 26 1916, by
 James F. Moriarty
 Dist. Supt.

Belchertown, Mass., Oct. 26 1916

Town of Belchertown

HIGHWAY DEPT.

No. \$
 Approved 19 , by
 Supt. of Streets

To James F. Moriarty Dr.

Oct. 5	Thomas Austin	\$ 2.00	
24	" "	2.00	
25	" "	2.00	
26	" "	2.00	
			\$ 8.00
3	Thomas Grandfield	\$ 2.00	
4	" "	2.00	
5	" "	2.00	
23	" "	2.00	
24	" "	2.00	
25	" "	2.00	
26	" "	2.00	
			\$ 14.00
3	Maurice Moriarty	\$ 5.00	
4	" "	5.00	
5	" "	5.00	
23	" "	5.00	
24	" "	5.00	
25	" "	5.00	
26	" "	5.00	
			\$ 35.00
			\$ 57.00

The Supt. of Streets will be at his home first week day of each month. Please present each month all bills due.

SIDEWALK ACCOUNT

Resources

Appropriation	\$ 100.00	
Received from D. D. Hazen	15.00	
" " M. A. Morse and		
Mrs. Ella R. Hunt	15.00	
		\$ 130.00

Expenditures

Paid D. P. Spencer & Son., labor	\$ 45.00	
Arnold Rowe, labor	11.53	
W. S. Piper, labor	12.25	
M. A. Morse, labor	12.00	
D. D. Hazen, 7700 lbs. cement at		
\$ 8.00 per ton	30.80	
		\$ 111.58
Unexpended balance		\$ 18.42

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. MORSE, *Superintendent of Streets*G. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor*

January 25, 1917

Assessors' Report

Valuation of real estate	\$ 830,775.00	
" personal estate	196,520.00	
		\$ 1,027,295.00

RATE OF TAXATION, \$ 26.00 PER THOUSAND

Tax on real estate	\$ 21,600.15	
" personal estate	5,109.52	
" polls	1,078.00	
		\$ 27,787.67

WE HAVE ASSESSED THE TAX AS FOLLOWS:

Appropriations	\$ 22,301.28	
State tax	1,920.00	
County tax	2,633.77	
Grade crossing tax	517.50	
State highway tax	161.50	
Overlayings	253.62	
		\$ 27,787.67
Added assessments	\$ 24.40	
Number of acres of land assessed	32,900	
horses	494	
cows	1,153	
sheep	17	
neat cattle other than cows	429	
swine	139	
fowls	8,705	

Residents assessed on property	532
Non-residents	150
For polls only	199

Received as assessors:

J. A. Peeso	\$ 140.00	
For supplies and telephone	4.55	
		\$ 144.55
M. F. Bowler	\$ 140.00	
		\$ 140.00
A. L. Pratt	\$ 140.00	
For supplies and telephone	1.45	
		\$ 141.45

We call the attention of the tax payers to section 22, chapter 269, acts of 1916.

Any taxpayer who in the year nineteen hundred and seventeen fails to bring in a list of taxable personal estate, as provided in sections forty-one to forty-nine, inclusive, of Part I of chapter four hundred and ninety of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and nine, and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, shall be assessed in that year for an amount of personal estate not less than that for which he was assessed and taxed in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen. The tax commissioner shall have authority to assess any taxpayer in any city or town for any amount of tax for which said taxpayer may be liable under the provisions of this section; and any assessor who shall violate the provisions of this section shall be liable to the penalties imposed by section thirty-nine of Part I of chapter four hundred and ninety of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and nine, and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto.

JAMES A. PEESO	}	<i>Assessors of Belchertown</i>
MICHAEL F. BOWLER		
ALMOND L. PRATT		

G. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor*

Jan. 24, 1917

Report of Selectmen

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation	\$ 1,300.00	
Paid Central Mass. Electric Co. for street lights to Dec. 1, 1916		\$ 1,148.48
There is still due the Co. for lights for the month of December		\$ 109.38

MOTH WORK

Appropriation	\$ 250.00	
E. C. Howard, moth work		\$ 128.00

SPRAYING TREES

Appropriation	\$ 100.00	
J. A. Peeso, spraying trees		\$ 25.00

STATE AID

We have paid state aid to the amount of	\$ 1,676.00	
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MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	\$ 50.00	
Paid F. W. Fellows, for Memorial day		\$ 50.00

CEMETERY ACCOUNT

Appropriation	\$ 100.00	
Interest on cemetery funds	210.87	
		\$ 310.87
M. S. Barton, services as commissioner etc.	\$ 5.00	

G. W. Howe, cleaning stones	\$ 70.50	
“ “	21.00	
F. L. Nooney, labor	25.00	
“ “	50.00	
“ “	25.00	
“ “	25.00	
M. S. Barton, labor	5.00	
F. L. Noony, “	25.00	
W. V. Spear, “	5.00	
F. L. Nooney, “	50.00	
A. K. Paine, “	4.00	
F. L. Nooney, “	60.00	
		\$ 370.50

DISCOUNT ON NOTES

Appropriation	\$ 700.00	
A. Bridgman, paid discount on note		\$ 420.00

TOWN EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$ 3,000.00	
“ for expenses on water work	701.28	
		\$ 3,701.28

F. M. Austin, inspecting meats	\$ 25.00
Harry Sessions, lamp at hall	4.50
J. A. Peeso, care engine house	5.00
F. W. Fellows, oil “ “	1.98
J. A. Peeso, posting town warrants	3.00
A. Bridgman, car fare, postage, etc.	12.50
Wm. Colgrove, inspecting meat	13.00
H. W. Eliot, return of births	.75
J. L. Collard, “ “ 1915	5.00
G. H. B. Green, administering oaths	7.00
H. E. Atwood, janitor	8.00
D. D. Hazen, insurance	18.50
Margaret Moriarty, typewriting	5.00
G. B. Jackson, care of town clock	48.00
F. M. Austin, inspecting meat	25.00
Florence Baggs, assisting selectmen 1915	1.50

W. H. & H. W. Brainard, surveying water supply	\$ 82.12
F. M. Fuller, on water committee	30.00
H. E. Atwood, janitor	8.00
L. H. Blackmer, printing reports, etc.	123.85
D. D. Hazen, insurance school house	74.84
E. F. Shumway, wood, town hall	6.75
John Merrill, sawing wood	1.50
J. F. Moriarty, inspecting meats	20.50
A. F. Bardwell, services on water committee	27.48
H. E. Atwood, placing booths in hall	2.00
L. H. Cook, cleaning side walks	8.00
E. F. Flaherty, inspecting cattle and barns	
1915	100.00
J. H. Schoonmaker, legal advice, 1915	105.13
Hobbs & Warren, record book	4.14
L. H. Blackmer, " "	2.75
Cen. Mass. Electric Co., lights engine house	3.52
" " " " " town house	.50
H. E. Atwood, sawing wood, " "	1.00
" taking down booths	2.00
A. Bridgman, rent, lights, etc.	50.00
J. J. Garvey, services as selectman, 1915	20.00
J. L. Tighe, services in water supply	519.16
C. Jensen, damage to horse	15.00
R. G. Shaw, services as burial ground commissioner	5.00
F. E. Burnett, sealer of weights and measures	25.00
H. E. Atwood, services as janitor	8.00
J. F. Moriarty, inspector of meat	12.00
Cen. Mass. Electric Co., lights for town hall	1.17
" " " " " engine "	.50
L. A. Shumway, wood, town hall	3.00
F. M. Austin, inspecting meat	16.67
F. W. Fellows, oil for engine house	3.63
B. P. Murphy, blanks	2.25

A. Bridgman, light, telephone, etc.	\$ 8.50
W. & L. E. Gurley, sealer's supplies	20.07
Harry Sessions, wiring town hall	1.25
G. F. Lincoln, insurance	21.88
J. A. Peeso, care of engine house	10.00
G. H. B. Green, treasurer's bond	20.00
L. W. Dillon, rent of G. A. R. hall	21.00
E. E. Gay, keys town hall	1.65
H. E. Atwood, janitor, town hall	10.00
Hobbs & Warren, blanks	2.36
Cen. Mass. Electric Co., lights, town hall	1.05
A. H. Brownell, blanks	1.38
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., phone, town hall	5.43
T. Garvey, wood, town hall	12.00
L. H. Blackmer, record book	.88
" order "	5.80
" envelopes	.65
J. A. Peeso, services at forest fires	8.80
" mowing park	5.00
" services at forest fires	9.68
H. E. Atwood, janitor	8.00
J. A. Peeso, tree warden	18.00
" posting town warrants	3.00
H. M. Austin, inspecting meats	25.00
L. H. Blackmer, printing water reports	20.00
F. W. Fellows, burial soldier	50.00
John Garvey, Jr., cleaning sewer	4.60
H. H. Ward, at forest fires	6.25
L. H. Blackmer, printing	.60
J. F. Moriarty, inspecting meat	39.00
D. K. Shumway, services as election officer	1.50
Hobbs & Warren, legal blanks	.55
F. M. Austin, inspecting cattle and barns	50.00
H. E. Atwood, janitor	8.00
Charles H. Chase, reporting transfers	13.20
L. H. Blackmer, printing signs	1.20

E. R. Peeso, lumber for well	\$ 6.80
L. W. Dillon, rent G. A. R. hall	21.00
F. W. Fellows, supplies for spraying	1.30
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., phone town hall	6.01
G. F. Lincoln, preparing statistics	25.00
Wm. Colgrove, inspecting meat	13.00
Cen. Mass. Electric Co., lights town hall	5.97
H. E. Atwood, janitor town hall	8.00
H. R. Gould, inspecting meat	24.00
Traffic Sign Co., sign	6.00
C. R. Green, auto service in dog damage case	6.00
E. F. Shumway, express on traffic signs	.89
H. E. Atwood, janitor	9.00
R. J. Ranson, damage to auto	33.80
D. D. Hazen, insurance	26.25
Marion Bridgman, sending moth notices	8.75
A. W. Brownell, moth notices	2.35
H. E. Atwood, janitor	8.00
E. R. Peeso, labor and fence posts on state road	31.15
E. A. Fuller, wire and staples for fence	14.70
L. W. Dillon, rent, G, A, R, hall	21.00
L. H. Blackmer, stationery	7.64
D. D. Hazen, pump, town well	9.60
“ oil for streets	10.00
“ pad paper, postage	.30
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., phone town hall	2.24
A. Bridgman, express on ballot box	.41
H. D. Hoag, labor on well	10.50
J. F. Moriarty, inspecting meat	15.00
Charles H. Chase, recording deed	.85
L. H. Blackmer, stationery	.98
D. D. Hazen, insurance	22.47
Town of Palmer, painting bridge	39.15
M. A. Whitmore, wood, town hall	6.25
H. E. Atwood, janitor	6.00

D. D. Hazen, premium on bond	\$ 6.50
Edward K. Tollman, ballot box	50.00
Cen. Mass. Electric Co., lights town hall	.60
D. F. Shumway, stationery, postage, etc.	35.00
W. B. Segur, returning births	3.00
R. E. Fairchild, plow point	.95
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., phone town hall	9.21
Town of Ashfield, tuition	40.00
J. A. Peeso, services as tree warden	10.00
L. H. Blackmer, printing	2.85
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., phone town hall	2.50
L. A. Shumway, wood, town hall	3.00
D. D. Hazen, supplies for spraying trees	15.78
H. E. Atwood, janitor	8.00
J. J. Garvey, care of traffic sign	7.00
J. F. Moriarty, inspecting meat	23.00
D. F. Shumway, sanding sidewalks	4.00
F. M. Austin, inspecting cattle and barns	50.00
H. W. Eliot, return of births	.75
Benj. Davis, setting glass, etc.	2.35
E. E. Gay, hammers and express	5.07
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., phone town hall	1.73
J. J. Garvey, care of traffic sign	2.00
R. G. Shaw, return of deaths	4.50
C. P. Baggs, inspecting meat	91.00
M. F. Austin, " "	22.50
A. Bridgman, blanks and supplies	.75
J. L. Collard, returning births	4.25
A. Bridgman, services as town clerk, etc.	38.95
C. H. Giroux, returning births	2.25
M. F. Sullivan, " deaths	1.25
A. Bridgman, rent, telephone, fuel and lights	15.00
J. F. Moriarty, inspecting of meats	25.00
Cen. Electric Co., lights engine house	.50
" " " " town hall	2.70
L. H. Blackmer, printing voters' list	10.00

D. F. Shumway, posting warrants	\$ 3.00
Wm. Colgrove, inspecting meats	11.50
N. W. Farrar, fumigating supplies	4.35
L. W. Dillon, rent G. A. R. hall	21.00
E. R. Peeso, wood town hall	4.50
D. F. Shumway, abatement of taxes	66.82
W. D. E. Morse, " " 1914	42.32
G. H. B. Green, administering oaths	4.00
A. Bridgman, library fund	171.80
J. A. Peeso, care of engine house	25.00
" services at forest fires	7.10
" forest warden	35.00
" tree warden	10.00
" two deputies	10.00
H. R. Gould, inspecting meat	12.50
L. A. Shumway, driving hearse	88.00
A. L. Pratt, telephone etc.	1.40
Johnson's Book Store	.81
H. E. Atwood, janitor	9.50
	\$ 3,326.37

G. F. Lincoln, *Auditor*
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TOWN OFFICERS

F. F. Dewey, services as election officer and registrar	\$ 32.30
A. Bridgman, services as town clerk and treasurer	214.97
W. A. Kimball, services as election officer	3.00
F. M. Fuller, assisting in 1915 report	20.00
M. E. Williams, services as election officer	4.50
C. R. Aldrich, " " "	1.50
Thomas O'Connor, " " "	4.00
J. F. Kennedy, " " "	1.50
G. F. Lincoln, " auditor	12.00
H. H. Ward, " registrar	25.30

H. S. Aldrich, services as election officer	\$ 1.50
Roy G. Shaw, " " "	3.00
D. K. Shumway, " registrar	7.00
A. R. Lewis, " moderator and election officer	10.50
John Ahearn, " " "	1.50
Everett Stebbins, " " "	3.00
F. E. Austin, " " "	4.50
Charles Austin, " " "	1.50
E. F. Shumway, " selectman, over- seer of poor, board of health	150.00
F. M. Austin, services as selectman, over- seer of poor, board of health	100.00
E. R. Peeso, services as selectman, over- seer of poor, board of health	100.00
J. A. Peeso, services as assessor	173.55
E. E. Sargent, " election officer	1.50
H. W. Conkey, " " "	1.50
T. B. Garvey, " " "	3.00
Maurice Moriarty, " " "	1.50
R. E. Fairchild, " " "	4.00
Guy C. Allen, " " "	1.50
W. E. Eaton, " " "	3.00
J. F. Moriarty, " " "	3.00
C. E. White, " " "	1.50
H. F. Shaw, " " "	1.50
H. D. Peeso, " registrar	15.00
M. P. Bowler, " assessor	140.00
A. L. Pratt, " "	140.05
E. F. Flaherty, services as election officer	2.50
D. F. Shumway, part payment of collecting 1916 tax	50.00
W. D. E. Morse, payment of collecting 1914 tax	75.00
Roswell Allen, services as school committee	35.00
H. W. Eliot, " " "	25.00

Charles Austin, sealer of weights and measures	\$ 53.00	
		\$ 1,435.67
Total		\$ 4,762.04
Bills paid in excess of appropriation		\$ 1,060.76

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Highways and bridges	3,391.62	
Pauper in account	1,952.05	
" outside of almshouse	2,145.45	
State aid	1,676.00	
Discount on notes	420.53	
Memorial Day	50.00	
Sidewalks	111.58	
Repairs state road, Belchertown and Enfield road 1915	38.32	
State highway, Belchertown and Enfield road 1916	4,171.60	
Cemetery account	370.50	
Moth work	128.00	
Spraying trees	25.00	
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		\$ 36,706.77

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State Highway Account

BELCHERTOWN AND ENFIELD ROAD

Paid Geo. Claflin	labor	\$ 135.78
Fred Mitchel	"	153.44
H. R. Gould	"	320.92
James Lee	"	15.62
Raymond Blackmer	labor	3.37
Raymond Gray	"	80.00
Herbert Humphrey	"	59.31
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M. Wallington	"	67.94
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Raymond Bardwell labor	90.44
Purnett Bracy “	40.29
A. J. Rowe “	61.36
Henry Pierce “	99.19
A. S. Page “	72.00
Timothy Mahoney “	33.75
Howard Spencer “	2.25
George Johnson “	23.62
Alva White “	49.78
Henry Ann “	14.62
Charles Davis “	9.00
James Thayer “	68.79
Herbert Story “	11.25
Clarence Pierce “	71.72
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B. F. Hubbard “	19.41
E. F. Munsell “	44.72
Miss Lillian Miller team work	88.75
E. R. Peeso labor	14.00
Aleck McCloud “	6.75
William Stone “	4.50
	\$ 4,171.60
Received from the state	\$ 4,248.73

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Roy G. Shaw, " " "	3.00
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Raymond Bardwell labor	90.44
Purnett Bracy "	40.29
A. J. Rowe "	61.36
Henry Pierce "	99.19
A. S. Page "	72.00
Timothy Mahoney "	33.75
Howard Spencer "	2.25
George Johnson "	23.62
Alva White "	49.78
Henry Ann "	14.62
Charles Davis "	9.00
James Thayer "	68.79
Herbert Story "	11.25
Clarence Pierce "	71.72
Jerry Griffin "	106.57
Henry Cooley "	133.69
Roy White "	103.81
Albert Turcott "	30.79
Jerry Riley "	15.38
W. A. Sauer "	132.50
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B. F. Hubbard "	19.41
E. F. Munsell "	44.72
Miss Lillian Miller team work	88.75
E. R. Peeso labor	14.00
Aleck McCloud "	6.75
William Stone "	4.50
	\$ 4,171.60
Received from the state	\$ 4,248.73

There is due from the state	\$ 749.77	
		\$ 4,998.50
Net gain	\$ 826.90	

Geo. F. Lincoln, *Auditor*,
Audited Jan. 22, 1917

E. F. SHUMWAY	}	<i>Selectmen of Belchertown</i>
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Treasurer's Report

1916

Dr.

Jan. 1	Balance due on settlement	\$ 4,407.52
5	Cash of D. W. Howe, rent of town hall	3.00
7	County Treasurer, dog fund	363.96
10	D. W. Howe, rent of town hall	3.00
10	Geo. L. Harris, Probation Officer	18.75
14	State Aid, acct. of Mrs. Emily Gilbert, moved from town	6.00
17	W. D. E. Morse	374.36
17	“ (1914 tax)	462.99
17	D. W. Howe	3.00
24	Geo. L. Harris, Probation Officer	5.00
24	State Treasurer, under the Unemployed Act	41.00
25	State treas., income Mass. school fund	1,154.38
25	W. D. E. Morse	329.52
Feb. 1	Town Farm	134.84
1	“ from Mrs. H. J. Hamilton	5.71
1	E. F. Shumway, rent of town hall	6.50
3	State Treasurer, state highway loan fund	894.50
4	J. A. Peeso, use of sprayer	10.00
5	W. D. E. Morse	623.32
12	“	317.19

Feb. 14	Cash of State Treasurer, hospital for consump-	
	tives	\$ 60.00
25	Geo. L. Harris, Probation Officer	11.25
25	Town of Leominster	42.29
Mar. 1	Town Farm	118.59
2	W. D. E. Morse	495.81
22	"	361.72
23	Nelson Barrett	11.00
30	W. D. E. Morse	295.38
Apr. 1	Town Farm	160.70
1	F. E. Burnett, acct. of sealer	16.11
4	D. W. Howe	9.00
8	Geo. L. Harris, Probation Officer	33.00
10	Guy C. Allen, auct. license	2.00
14	W. D. E. Morse	359.53
22	E. A. R. Fairchild, auct. license	2.00
29	O. E. S., use of town hall	3.00
29	Patrick Keyes, liquor license	1,000.00
May 1	Town Farm	173.60
1	"	50.00
1	W. D. E. Morse	167.24
1	Geo. E. Alderman, liquor license	550.00
1	N. W. Farrar, liquor license	1.00
1	H. M. Jepson, butcher license	1.00
2	D. W. Howe	10.75
6	J. J. Garvey, pool table license	2.00
8	Charles W. Clark, pool table license	2.00
13	W. D. E. Morse, 1914 tax	85.00
13	"	452.17
15	Estate of Mary E. Leach, care of lot in Mt. Hope cemetery	50.00
19	W. D. E. Morse	114.40
25	W. R. C., rent of town hall	32.50
25	Amherst Bank, note due Nov. 17, 1916	10,000.00

May 30	Cash of Hampshire House of Correction, John Clifford and Michael Griffin	\$ 24.00
June 1	Town Farm	94.36
1	Meyer Suher, butcher license	1.00
1	D. W. Howe	15.00
1	Geo. L. Harris, Probation Officer	16.25
2	W. D. E. Morse	279.82
6	"	165.92
7	Henry Farley, butcher license	1.00
8	Herbert D. Paine, butcher license	1.00
13	Sam Futterman, junk dealer license	3.00
15	Amherst Bank, note due Dec. 8, 1916	6,000.00
17	Amherst Bank, rebate on note due June 30th	7.33
17	M. E. society, use of town hall	1.00
19	W. D. E. Morse	205.39
23	Meyer Suher, junk dealer license	3.00
28	Mrs. Mary Shumway, care of lot in Mill Valley cemetery	100.00
July 1	J. Gould, junk dealer license	3.00
1	Charles Austin, sealer	5.50
1	Fines from dist. court	83.50
1	Town Farm	96.14
3	W. D. E. Morse	85.26
6	State Treasurer, Industrial school	10.00
7	Mrs. W. D. Randolph	18.78
10	W. D. E. Morse	196.10
21	George L. Harris, probation officer	18.25
22	State Treasurer, inspection of animals	75.00
24	Homer Courtiur, butcher license	1.00
25	W. D. E. Morse	137.68
26	Hampshire House of Correction	19.00
31	D. W. Howe, rent of town hall	30.00
Aug. 1	Town of Enfield, tuition of children	164.00

Aug. 1	Cash of Town Farm	\$ 89.68
5	W. D. E. Morse	165.44
10	Mrs. F. L. Plantiff, part of lot in Mt. Hope cemetery	12.00
17	W. D. E. Morse	100.00
28	" "	115.95
Sept. 1	Town Farm	60.34
2	W. D. E. Morse	93.96
2	George L. Harris, probation officer	16.00
4	D. F. Shumway	286.00
6	D. W. Howe	12.00
7	D. F. Shumway	325.14
8	" "	168.40
9	Com. club, use of town hall Aug. 14	1.00
9	D. F. Shumway	205.99
14	" "	321.16
18	W. D. E. Morse	121.35
18	D. F. Shumway	507.26
18	D. W. Howe	6.00
22	D. F. Shumway	680.70
29	" "	291.40
30	Fines from dist. court	8.00
30	D. F. Shumway	165.00
Oct. 2	Town Farm	123.63
2	H. Wein, license	3.00
4	D. F. Shumway	646.69
7	State Treasurer, acct. of state road, Amherst and Belchertown	844.67
7	D. F. Shumway	456.82
11	" "	705.32
12	" "	240.26
14	" "	850.50
16	" "	504.89
18	" "	438.10
20	" "	443.16

Oct. 21	Cash of State Treasurer, acct. of state road	\$ 2,384.03
21	“ “ “ “	617.87
21	D. F. Shumway	1,064.97
24	“ “	732.55
28	“ “	1,276.41
31	“ “	3,856.36
31	“ “	347.67
Nov. 1	W. D. E. Morse	231.02
1	Town Farm	103.79
2	D. F. Shumway	1,543.50
2	“ “	532.16
3	F. L. Nooney for lot in Tylerville cemetery	5.00
4	D. F. Shumway	451.14
8	“ “	963.35
11	State Treasurer, acct. of school supt. by R. Allen	1,250.00
11	D. F. Shumway	278.40
15	State Treasurer, corporation tax public service	168.86
15	State Treasurer, business service	196.88
15	“ “ national bank tax	336.16
15	“ “ tuition of children	547.75
15	“ “ burial of indigent soldier	50.00
15	State Treasurer, state aid	1,945.00
15	D. F. Shumway	324.66
18	“ “	259.54
21	“ “	445.87
25	“ “	396.52
29	“ “	433.77
Dec. 1	Charles Austin, sealer	1.15
1	Town Farm	91.99
1	Catholic use of town hall	3.00
1	D. F. Shumway	504.03
2	“ “	186.42

Dec. 2	Cash of State Treasurer, acct. of state road	\$1,284.95
2	" " " " "	697.74
4	W. D. E. Morse, 1915 tax	128.99
5	Junk Dealer, license	3.00
9	Town of Enfield, acct. of schools	105.00
9	D. F. Shumway	503.66
14	State Treasurer, Highway Com.	285.00
16	D. F. Shumway	404.84
19	State Treasurer, soldiers' exemption	125.77
20	W. D. E. Morse, 1915 tax	129.94
23	D. F. Shumway	794.20
30	" "	1,111.51

1917

Jan. 1	State Treasurer, acct. of state road	1,140.28
1	Fines from dist. court	9.00
1	C. R. Green, reimbursement for auto hire	6.00
2	W. D. E. Morse, 1914 tax	35.34
2	" " 1915 tax	231.72
2	Mrs. E. R. Hunt and M. A. Morse sidewalk	15.00
2	Amherst Savings Bank, Mt. Hope cemetery fund	202.28
2	Amherst Savings Bank, S. M. D. Bridgman cemetery fund	8.59
2	Amherst Savings Bank, High school fund	257.70
2	Amherst Savings Bank, library fund	171.80
2	Town Farm	400.75
3	D. D. Hazen, sidewalk	15.00
3	D. F. Shumway	688.21
3	" " abatement on tax 1916	66.82
6	Town Farm, hearse hire	88.00
6	W. D. E. Morse, abatement on 1914	42.32
6	D. F. Shumway	235.96

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Jan. 6	Cash of W. D. E. Morse, 1914 tax	\$.02
8	Ware Savings Bank, Geo. D. Long- ley fund	136.00
		\$ 71,563.88

1916

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Jan. 19	Cash paid Clapp Memorial Library, (dog fund)	\$ 363.96
Feb. 1	J. A. Peeso, services in dist. court	23.81
1	A. J. Pruce, " " "	1.63
Mar. 2	J. A. Peeso, " " "	25.54
Apr. 1	" " " "	7.17
May 1	" " " "	5.77
24	State Treasurer, acct. of liquor li- cense	387.75
25	Amherst Bank, note due April 20	4,000.00
25	" " " " June 4	5,000.00
June 1	J. A. Peeso, services in dist. court	20.33
8	Bureau of statistics, cert. note	2.00
15	Amherst Bank, note due June 8	3,000.00
15	" " " " 30	3,000.00
30	Estate Mary E. Leach and Mary Shumway	150.00
July 3	J. A. Peeso, services in dist. court	11.54
Aug. 1	" " " "	39.32
Sept. 5	" " " "	141.93
Oct. 3	" " " "	8.46
3	Michael Collins " "	21.16
7	William Orlando on acct. of state road as per order of state engineer	844.67
13	William Orlando on acct. of state road	232.31
21	William Orlando on acct. of state road	200.00
21	Edwin H. Banister, county tax	2,633.77

Oct. 27	Cash paid William Orlando, acct. state road	\$ 200.00
Nov. 1	J. A. Peeso, services in dist. court	22.00
4	William Orlando, acct. state road	1,102.43
10	" " " "	945.12
11	Town of Enfield, acct. of school supt.	350.00
15	State Treasurer, state tax	1,920.00
15	" " abolition grade crossing loan fund	500.00
15	State Treasurer, interest on grade crossing loan	17.50
15	State Treasurer, repairs of state highways	161.50
15	State Treasurer, penalty for fail- ure to make return	8.00
16	Note at Amherst Bank	10,000.00
Dec. 1	J. A. Peeso, services in dist. court	23.68
8	Bureau of Statistics, cert. note	2.00
8	William Orlando, acct. of state road	889.61
1917		
Jan. 1	J. A. Peeso, services in dist. court	19.75
12	589 Town Orders del. selectmen	36,706.77
		\$ 72,989.48
	Less amount paid William Orlando for which a town order has since been drawn	4,414.14
		\$ 68,575.34
Jan. 12	Cash on hand	2,988.54
		\$ 71,563.88

A. BRIDGMAN, *Treasurer*G. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor*

Audited Jan. 17, 1917

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Report on Funds

MRS. SUSAN M. D. BRIDGMAN

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1917	\$ 136.05
Received April 1, 1916	70.00
" July 1, "	70.00
" Oct. 1, "	70.00
" Jan. 1, 1917	140.00
	\$ 486.05
59 Orders drawn	291.00
Balance Jan. 1, 1917	\$ 195.05

WHITING STREET FUND

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1917	\$ 110.58
Received Sept. 1	290.00
	\$ 400.58
43 Orders drawn	189.00
Balance Jan. 1, 1917	\$ 211.58

E. F. SHUMWAY	}	<i>Almoners</i>
E. R. PEESO		
F. M. AUSTIN		
MRS. M. G. WARD		
MRS. G. L. WITT		

G. F. Lincoln, *Auditor*

Audited, Jan. 20, 1917

I am convinced the dates, Dec. 31, 1917, are mistakes,
Auditor

REPORT OF TRUSTEE OF CALVIN BRIDGMAN FUND

This fund is the accrued interest on \$10,000 bequeathed by the late Calvin Bridgman. This money is deposited in the Amherst Savings Bank and the deposit book is in the hands of the town treasurer who annually collects the interest and disburses it as follows: two-fifths or \$ 171.80 is paid to the Clapp Memorial Library and three-fifths or \$ 257.70 is turned into the School Fund.

The undersigned has not had the opportunity to read the will of our benefactor so he does not know if there are any specific instructions as to how this \$ 10,000 should be invested. In the absence of any instructions recommended by him, it is suggested that this amount be invested so as to increase the income between \$100 and \$ 200.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. ELIOT,

Trustee Calvin Bridgman Fund

Collector's Report

The amount committed to your collector as per assessors' warrant dated Aug. 16, 1916	\$ 27,789.92
Added assessments	24.40
Interest collected from Oct. 15, 1916 to Jan. 1, 1917	43.15
Total	\$ 27,857.47
He has collected and paid the treasurer	24,639.31
Balance in collector's hands	\$ 3,218.16

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Collector*

Geo. F. Lincoln, *Auditor*.

Audited Jan. 22, 1917

Report of Fire Department

There have been seven calls to chimney fires and three to buildings; I have received for the same	\$ 15.00
For the care and charging of extinguishers and sending in reports I have received	25.00
Total	\$ 40.00

JAMES A. PEESO

G. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor*

Audited January 30, 1917

Tree Warden's Report

Appropriation	\$ 100.00	
Unexpended balance last year	103.93	
Total		\$ 203.93
To spraying and trimming trees		
F. M. Fuller	\$ 7.50	
Charles Austin	7.50	
A. J. Rowe	5.00	
D. D. Hazen, supplies	15.78	
J. A. Peeso and team	23.00	
" services as warden	10.00	
		\$ 68.78
Unexpended balance		\$ 135.15

G. F. Lincoln, *Auditor*

Audited Jan. 29, 1917

Forest Warden's Report

Paid H. H. Ward, services as deputy and at fires	\$ 14.50
Wm. Colgrove " "	7.10
Fred L. Broadley	5.00
Nelson Grancy	1.75
James Lemon	.80
James Peeso	6.43
" " posting notices and issuing permits	35.00
	\$ 70.58

JAMES A. PEESO, *Forest Warden*

G. F. Lincoln, *Auditor*
Audited Jan. 30, 1917

Report of the Local Moth Supt.

Appropriation, 1916	\$ 250.00
Labor of supt., men and team, 1916	\$ 128.00
Unexpended balance	\$ 122.00

EVERETT C. HOWARD, *Local Moth Supt.*

Report of Overseers of the Poor

INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Bed linen	\$ 20.00
Table linen	5.00
Towels, etc.	2.00
Curtains	5.00
Bed spreads and blankets	15.00
5 feather beds	10.00
3 straw beds	1.50
6 mattresses	12.00
15 pillows	5.00
5 bed springs	10.00
20 quilts	20.00
1 bed room set	5.00
6 iron beds	15.00
15 bureaus	30.00
1 stand	.50
25 chairs	16.00
1 center table	2.00
1 dining table	6.00
Spray pump and hose	10.00
Washing machine	5.00
Sewing “	5.00
Carpet sweeper	2.00
Oil heater	.5.00

2 cook stoves	\$ 10.00
4 stoves	10.00
Set of dishes	8.00
2 invalid chairs	20.00
Carpet	20.00
2 linoleums	4.00
Incubator	3.00
Range	35.00
Pantry utensils	20.00
10 lamps	2.50
Meat and provisions	50.00
Vinegar	12.00
Canned fruit	15.00
Pickles	3.00
Jelly	3.00
5 barrels apples	15.00
10 bushels potatoes	18.00
25 bushels turnips	15.00
3 " carrots	4.00
15 cords stove wood	85.00
10 " in yard	30.00
Chains	6.00
Hoes and shovels	5.00
80 hens	68.00
Double sled	30.00
Single sled	7.00
Express sleigh	10.00
2-horse wagon	90.00
Express wagon	8.00
Buggy	50.00
Dump cart	35.00
Manure spreader	50.00
1 pair double harnesses	25.00
Farm harness	10.00
1 buggy harness	10.00
Mowing machine	8.00

Horse rake	\$ 18.00
Tedder	5.00
5 plows	15.00
Lanterns, brooms, etc.	5.00
Wheel harrow	15.00
Spring tooth harrow	5.00
Smoothing “	5.00
Cultivator	4.00
Corn sheller	3.00
Express pole	1.00
Saws and axes	3.00
Feed cutter	5.00
Creamery and cans	20.00
Grind stone	2.00
Paris green gun	1.50
Measures and pails	1.50
Lawn mower	2.00
Ice tongs	2.00
Cant hooks	1.00
Fanning mill	2.00
40 tons sileage	160.00
Step ladder	1.50
Corn planter	15.00
2 ladders	3.50
Blankets and robes	25.00
Cow number 1	75.00
“ “ 2	70.00
“ “ 3	60.00
“ “ 4	55.00
“ “ 5	65.00
“ “ 6	75.00
“ “ 7	85.00
“ “ 8	100.00
“ “ 9	80.00
“ “ 10	85.00
“ “ 11	80.00

Cow number 12	\$ 55.00
“ “ 13	50.00
1 bull	40.00
4 calves and 2 two-year olds	75.00
2 shoats	7.00
2 horses	375.00
30 tons hay	540.00
2 tons rowen	30.00
3 tons meadow hay	25.00
100 bushels corn	60.00
400 fertilizer	6.00
1½ tons of oats	20.00
2 tons of corn fodder	16.00
	————— \$ 3,443.50

WARDEN'S REPORT TO OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Income at Town Farm, year 1916

Rec'd for milk	\$ 1,295.93
fertilizer, Jas. Mansfield	2.00
horse, Wm. Orlando	45.00
junk	.50
pork, D. D. Hazen	35.36
2 cows	54.00
veal, H. M. Jepson	13.23
eggs	41.21
potatoes	22.80
calves	33.00
use of telephone	1.40
stock service	9.50
fowls	5.40
use of hearse, out of town	12.00
use of hearse, in town	88.00
bags	3.10
apples	14.25

Rec'd for stove wood, Dr. King	\$ 6.00
" A. Bridgman	2.50
" town hall	6.00
hay, A. E. Warner	23.90
hay, Dan'l Shea	20.00
hay, Wm. Shaw	22.50
hay, Chas. Clark	44.55
hay, R. Weston	16.15
hay, T. D. Potter	121.00
labor with team, A. Moore	1.50
" " " M. G. Ward	20.40
" " " Miss Weston	10.00
" " " on road	8.43
" " " Myron Thayer	2.25
" " " Mrs. Thompson	.75
" " " Mr. Parker	3.00
" " " J. Hurlburt	2.50
" " " D. F. Shumway	5.00
" " " H. Kelsey	3.00
" " " R. E. Fairchild	10.00
" " " Geo. Witt	7.00
" " " R. Allen	13.50
" " " Shumway & Fuller	40.90
" " " E. R. Peeso	50.00
	\$ 2,117.56

Number of inmates 4

Expenditures at Town Farm, year 1916

Paid for cow, W. A. Sauer	\$ 90.00
grain, Ward & Ryther	26.60
" Mr. Darling	21.25
fertilizer, W. A. Sauer	18.00
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.06
barbering	14.60
suit for Chas. Sweatland	10.00
A. L. Pratt, sawing wood	8.00

Paid for seed potatoes, A. Stacy	\$ 7.50
nursery stock, C. H. Egleston	6.50
2 pigs	6.00
butchering, H. M. Jepson	3.00
shingle, H. Pratt	2.50
“ M. S. Barton	2.50
making cider, H. W. Conkey	2.46
lumber for dump cart, E. C. Witt	1.66
tedder, E. C. Witt	2.00
stock service, H. M. Lamson	2.50
groceries, A. H. Phillips	.36
extracts, E. Leonard	.45
plumbing, F. Nooney	.50
assessment on milk	3.46
horses' feed and weigh bills	.75
fish	.40
strawberries	1.25
bakery	1.50
blacksmithing, H. Coolbeth	2.30
filling silo, W. A. Sauer	18.00
labor, Mr. Sparrell	3.00
“ J. Maloney	4.00
“ Geo. Weston	1.50
“ P. Pierce	1.25
“ L. Orlowski	5.75
“ R. Weston	20.90
“ H. M. Lamson	10.65
“ H. Hoag	5.00
“ C. Pierce	2.00
“ R. Pierce	3.50
“ J. Armitage	2.25
“ A. E. Dodge	1.25
Paid treasurer	1,786.41
	\$ 2,117.56
L. A. SHUMWAY, <i>Warden</i>	

EXPENSES AT ALMSHOUSE PAUPER IN ACCOUNT

R. E. Fairchild, supplies	\$ 67.91
E. A. Fuller "	212.35
D. D. Hazen "	294.04
J. W. Jackson "	47.64
A. H. Phillips "	16.93
J. J. Garvey, tobacco	16.85
Dr. F. M. Austin, veterinary service	7.50
H. F. Curtis, horse shoeing	11.60
R. E. Fairchild, grain	141.55
E. A. Fuller, grain	463.23
L. A. Shumway, services as warden	462.49
E. F. Shumway, fertilizer	36.00
E. F. Flaherty, blacksmithing	15.05
M. C. Baggs, transportation town charge	.50
Dr. J. L. Collard, medical service	137.00
H. A. Hopkins, supplies	10.12
F. W. Fellows, "	11.40
	\$ 1,952.16
Income from town farm	
Paid treasurer by the warden	\$ 1,786.41
" " " Mrs. Hamilton	5.71
	\$ 1,792.12

PAUPERS OUTSIDE OF ALMSHOUSE

Carl E. White, care of town charge	\$ 9.00
Agnes E. Hinkley, care of town charge	13.29
Dr. H. W. Eliot, medical aid to town charge	5.00
" " " " " "	12.00
Dr. J. L. Collard, " " " "	1.50
Paid to state charge	12.00
Dr. H. W. Eliot, medical aid to town charge	9.35
Paid to town charge	96.00
Carl E. White, aid to town charge	9.00

W. H. Bolter, opening grave for town charge	\$3.50
Aid state charge	4.00
“ “ “	4.00
Agnes Hinkley, board town charge	26.58
City of Holyoke, to “ “	89.90
Aid state charge	4.00
“ “ “	4.00
“ “ “	20.00
Carl E. White, aid town charge	9.00
Westfield State sanatorium, aid town charge	14.29
E. F. Shumway, expense in tubercular case	7.70
Expense in pauper case	1.65
Dr. J. L. Collard, services in tuberculosis case	10.00
Aid to state charge	16.00
Carl E. White, board of town charge	12.00
Hampshire Co. sanatorium, state charge	7.71
J. Ahearn, transportation of state charge	6.00
T. F. Landers, supplies to state charge	37.18
Mrs. Newton, board of town charges	85.00
Holyoke hospital, care of town charge	82.15
Dr. J. L. Collard, medical aid town charge	21.00
Aid to state charge	2.00
“ “ “	20.00
“ “ “	16.00
Westfield State sanatorium, care of town charge	52.57
Mrs. Newton Smith, care of town charges	20.00
City of Worcester, aid to “ “	153.15
Dr. J. L. Collard, medical aid to town charge	25.00
Aid state charge	16.00
Roy G. Shaw, burial town charge	25.00
Aid state charge	20.00
Mrs. Newton Smith, board of town charge	20.00
T. F. Landers, supplies to “ “	44.03
“ “ “ state charge	48.36

Dr. J. L. Collard, medical aid state charge	\$.75
Dr. B. T. Smith, " " town "	19.00
Aid state charge	16.00
Mrs. Newton Smith, aid town charges	18.00
T. F. Landers, supplies " "	61.46
" " " state "	9.48
Aid state charge	16.00
Town of Palmer, aid town charges	291.32
Westfield state sanatorium, aid town charge	12.57
Mrs. Goutiur, care of town charge	25.00
Dr. H. W. Eliot, medical aid town charge	20.00
D. D. Hazen, supplies to paralysis case	8.50
Mrs. Newton Smith, care town charges	18.00
Gertrude Riley, assisting in care of town charge	5.00
Aid state charge	20.00
Mrs. Newton Smith, care of town charges	22.00
Dr. J. L. Collard, medical aid town charge	5.00
W. F. Shaw, auto services at burial of town charge	3.00
Dr. H. W. Eliot, medical aid to state charge	5.50
" " " " in paralysis case	27.00
T. F. Landers, supplies to town charge	36.81
R. G. Shaw, burial of " "	71.00
Mrs. Goutiur, care of " "	11.93
E. A. Fuller, supplies paralysis case	12.46
" " " " " "	20.42
Mrs. Newton Smith, board of town charge	18.00
City of Springfield, aid town charge	27.00
Aid state charge	8.00
P. J. Keyes, stove rent, etc. to town charge	59.70
City of Chicopee, supplies " "	22.50
T. F. Landers, " " "	75.13
Rutland Sanatorium, aid " "	30.94
Aid state charge	8.00

E. F. Shumway, use of auto in pauper case	\$ 5.00	
Dr. H. W. Eliot, aid town charge	40.00	
Total	<u> </u>	\$ 2,145.41

Total expense of Paupers In and Out		\$ 2,305.36
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Due from the state for state charges	\$ 370.37	
" town of Leverett	51.00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 421.37

Actual expense of Pauper In and Out		\$ 1,883.99
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E. F. SHUMWAY	}	<i>Overseers of the Poor</i>
E. R. PEESO		
F. M. AUSTIN		

G. F. Lincoln, *Auditor*
Audited Jan. 23, 1917

Report of Cemetery Commissioners

Fund in Amherst Savings Bank Jan. 1, 1917		\$ 4,983.85
Appropriation	\$ 100.00	
Interest	202.28	
Unexpended balance	33.69	
Received from Susan M. D. Bridgman		
fund	8.59	
Received from sale of lots	42.00	
		\$ 386.57

EXPENSES

Paid G. W. Howe for cleaning stones	\$ 92.50
for care of lots in Mt. Hope Cemetery	109.78
George Claflin	33.00
Fred Allen	12.00
Charles Pratt	3.50
Ira Squires	2.82
F. L. Nooney	67.00
R. E. Fairchild, fertilizer	5.80
Fred Nooney, mowing South Cemetery	10.00
" " Dwight "	5.00
" " West Hill "	5.00
" " Lake Vale "	5.00
William Holcomb, Blue Meadow	1.00
Fred Ruell, Holyoke	5.00
William Bolter, Tylerville	5.00

H. A. Payne, Ludlow

4.00

Unexpended balance

\$ 366.40

Balance

\$ 20.16

We would recommend an appropriation of \$150.00

M. S. BARTON,
ROY G. SHAW,
F. L. NOONEY,} Cemetery
} CommissionersG. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor*

Audited Jan. 25, 1917.

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

Sealing 2 platform scales over 5,000 lbs.	\$ 2.00
“ 6 “ “ under “	3.00
“ 3 computing scales	.09
“ 23 other scales	.69
“ 9 weights	.27
“ 17 liquid measures	.51
“ 2 oil pumps	.06
“ 2 linear measures	.06
Total fee paid town treasurer	\$ 6.68

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. AUSTIN, *Sealer*

G. F. Lincoln, *Auditor*

Audited Jan. 31, 1917

Report of Committee on Appropriations

Schools	\$ 8,000.00
Highways	3,500.00
Street lights	1,300.00
Town accounts	3,000.00
Spraying of trees	150.00
Discount on town notes	350.00
Cemetery account	150.00
For pauper expenses	2,500.00
We recommend an appropriation to apply on town debt	1,000.00

M. S. BARTON,
G. C. ALLEN,
M. G. WARD,

} Committee
on
Appropriations

Auditor's Report

RESOURCES

In treasurer's hands	\$ 2,988.54
Uncollected taxes	4,329.97
Due from the state	
For highways	1,491.03
inspection of animals	29.00
paupers	368.40
soldiers' burials	50.00
state aid	1,670.00
Due from the town of Leominster	51.00
“ “ Ashfield	20.00
“ W. S. Piper	22.74
	\$11,016.68
Surplus	\$ 4,656.50

LIABILITIES

April 8, 1917, note at Amherst Bank	\$ 6,000.00
School bills not presented	360.18
	\$ 6,360.18

G. F. LINCOLN, *Auditor*

Statistics Showing the Financial Condition of this Town

ASSETS

Cash General	\$ 2,988.54	
Trust Fund Income	304.63	\$ 298.1
Taxes 1915	1,111.81	
“ 1916	3,218.16	4329

DUE FROM STATE

State Highway, Enfield road	\$ 749.77	
“ “ Amherst road	741.26	
State Aid	1,670.00	
Soldiers' Burial	50.00	
Paupers Out	368.40	
Due from town of Leverett	51.00	
Town of Ashfield, school tuition	20.00	
Inspection of animals	25.00	
		\$ 3,675.43

OVERDRAWN BALANCES

Town account	\$ 560.67
Cemeteries	42.63
Poor Dept.	743.73
Highways	391.62
State Highway 1915	53.61

School Dept.	\$ 1,290.88	
Court fees	271.59	
		\$ 3,354.73
		\$ 14,653.30

LIABILITIES

Revenue loan due 1917	\$ 6,000.00	
Balance carried forward to 1917		
State road to Amherst	591.67	
" " Enfield	77.13	
Bridgman fund income	139.05	
Whiting Street fund	165.58	
Overlays reserved for abatements		
Overlay 1915 and 1916	203.08	
Special reserve overlay balance	22.43	
Department reserve available for dept.		
when collected	3,675.43	
Surplus	3,778.93	
		\$ 14,653.30

Annual Report

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION, MARCH 1916—1917

School Committee

ROSWELL ALLEN,	Term expires, March 1918
ANDREW SAYERS,	“ “ “ 1917
HENRY W. ELIOT,	“ “ “ 1919

Superintendent

ALVAN R. LEWIS,	Term expires, Sept. 1, 1918
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Attendance Officer

D. F. SHUMWAY

School Physician

JAMES L. COLLARD, M. D.

School Calendar

HIGH SCHOOL.

The high school will open August 27, 1917 and will close December 21, 1917. It will open Dec. 31, 1917, and continue until June 21, 1918 with one week's intermission at the expiration of every eight weeks.

GRAMMAR AND GRADED SCHOOLS

Spring term will begin Apr. 9, 1917.

“ “ “ close June 22, “

Fall term will begin Sept. 10, “

“ “ close Dec. 21, “

Winter term will begin Dec. 31, “

“ “ “ close Mar. 8, 1918.

Teachers January 1, 1917

High School,	Thomas Allen
“	Edith Wheeler
“	Marguerite Lord
Center Gram.,	Lena Ripley
“ Int.,	Mae Fenton
“ Prim.,	Alice Keating, substitute
Cold Spring,	Bridget Fitzgerald
Franklin Gram.,	Nellie Shea
“ Int.,	Sadie Demarest
“ Prim.,	Lulu Austin
Liberty,	Agnes Sullivan
Washington,	Katherine Moriarty
Lake Vale,	Libbie Gutberlett
Federal,	Ella Moriarty
Union,	Edith Towne
Blue Meadow,	Celia Blackmer
Rockrimmon,	Florence Baggs
Music,	Florence Babb

Report of Superintendent of Schools

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit for your consideration my ninth annual report which is the thirteenth in this series.

ATTENDANCE

The attendance for the year ending June 30, 1916 was smaller than for the year before because of sickness and of some parents who seem to be ignorant of the law governing the school attendance and employment of minors.

The following is the law governing the school attendance and employment of minors.

[Chap. 81.]

AN ACT RELATIVE TO SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND TO THE EMPLOYMENT OF MINORS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter forty-four of the Revised Laws, as amended by chapter three hundred and twenty of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and five, by chapter three hundred and eighty-three of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and six, and by section one of chapter seven hundred and seventy-nine of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, is hereby further amended by striking out in the thirtieth line, the word "five", and inserting in place thereof the word:—seven,—and by striking out the word "ten", in

the same line, and inserting in place thereof the word:—fourteen,—so as to read as follows:—*Section 1.* Every child between seven and fourteen years of age, every child under sixteen years of age who does not possess such ability to read, write and spell in the English language as is required for the completion of the fourth grade of the public schools of the city or town in which he resides, and every child under sixteen years of age who has not received an employment certificate as provided in this act and is not engaged in some regular employment or business for at least six hours per day or has not the written permission of the superintendent of schools of the city or town in which he resides to engage in profitable employment at home, shall attend a public day school in said city or town or some other day school approved by the school committee, during the entire time the public schools are in session, subject to such exceptions as are provided for in sections four, five and six of this chapter and in section three of chapter forty-two of the Revised Laws, as amended by chapter four hundred and thirty-three of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and two, and by chapter five hundred and thirty seven of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and eleven; but such attendance shall not be required of a child whose physical or mental condition is such as to render attendance inexpedient or impracticable, or who is being otherwise instructed in a manner approved in advance by the superintendent of schools or the school committee. The superintendent of schools, or teachers in so far as authorized by said superintendent or by the school committee, may excuse cases of necessary absence for other causes not exceeding seven day sessions or fourteen half-day sessions in any period of six months. For the purposes of this section, school committees shall approve a private school only when the instruction in all the studies required by law is in the English language, and when they are satisfied that such instruction equals in thoroughness and efficiency, and in the progress made therein, the instruction in the public schools in the same city or town; but they shall not refuse to

approve a private school on account of the religious teaching therein.

SECTION 2. Said chapter forty-four of the Revised Laws, as amended by section two of said chapter seven hundred and seventy-nine of the acts of the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, is hereby further amended by striking out the word "five", in the fourth line, and inserting in place thereof the word:—seven,—and by striking out the word "ten", in the same line, and inserting in place thereof the word:—fourteen,—so as to read as follows:—*Section 2.* Every person having under his control a child as described in section one shall cause him to attend school as therein required, and, if he fails for seven day sessions or fourteen half-day sessions within any period of six months while such control obtains, to cause such child so to attend school he shall, upon complaint by an attendance officer and conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars, and no physical or mental condition which is capable of correction, or which renders the child a fit subject for special instruction at public charge in institutions other than public day schools, shall avail as defence under the provisions of this or the preceding section, unless it shall be made to appear that the defendant has employed all reasonable measures for the correction of the condition and the suitable instruction of the child.

Whoever induces or attempts to induce a child to absent himself unlawfully from school, or employs or harbors a child while school is in session, shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars.

[*Approved March 18, 1915.*]

TEACHERS

Miss Gertrude Callender resigned as first assistant in the high school at the close of the school year. Miss Callender was a successful teacher. Her resignation was regretted. Miss Edith Wheeler, a graduate of Mount Holyoke college, was elected to fill the vacancy.

In September, Miss Florence Rhodes was transferred from Blue Meadow to West Hill and Miss Celia Blackmer from West Hill to Blue Meadow. At the close of the fall term Miss Rhodes resigned and the school at West Hill was closed and the eight pupils were transported to the Union school.

At the close of the fall term Miss Nellie Sullivan who has been a very successful teacher in our schools for a number of years, ten of which she was teacher of the Franklin Primary school, resigned to be married. Miss Lulu Austin, teacher of the Liberty school, was placed in charge of the Franklin primary, and Miss Agnes Sullivan, a graduate of the Bridgewater normal school was elected teacher of the Liberty school.

At the opening of the schools in September, Miss Marie West was given a year's leave of absence because of sickness; and Miss Alice Keating, a graduate of the Westfield normal school, was placed in charge of the Center primary school.

SCHOOLS

Miss Florence Babb has had charge of the music during the year. The music in our schools has greatly improved. The pupils can read easily and with expression. All who have heard our pupils sing in public appreciate the work of those who have been instrumental in accomplishing this result.

The work of the schools under a corps of earnest and efficient teachers, is steadily improving. For the first time our high school was placed on the trial certification list by the proper college authorities. Those pupils who were received on certificate are doing good work.

The vocational work has been in charge of the regular teachers. Some of this work was on exhibition in a few of the school-rooms. The money received from the sale of articles has been expended for pictures for the school-rooms. The teachers of the Franklin schools have done considerable along this line.

We cannot stand still in our school work. We must progress. The state is preparing a course of study for the schools

of the state. Vocational training is included in the course. It is evident that many of our pupils should be educated along the industrial line. To secure the best results, a special teacher should be employed. This probably could be done without great expense by employing a teacher in union with another town.

I take this opportunity to thank the committee for their continued confidence, the teachers for their loyalty and coöperation, and the citizens for their courtesy.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVAN R. LEWIS

Dec. 30, 1916

Report of High School Principal

Superintendent A. R. Lewis,

Dear Sir:-

Permit me to call attention to a few needs of the high school for the coming year. While the new chemistry table was of material advantage last year, lack of plumbing, - drain pipe connections, - and lack of water seriously hampered the work. Next fall Chemistry will again come in the course and it is earnestly desired that the table may be in proper condition.

Books increase and there is lack of room for them. It is not well to turn all our old texts towards the purchase of new since these are of value in supplementary work. A case for the surplus will relieve the pressure. Also a few books have been donated the school, the nucleus for a school library. Doubtless there are many people interested in the school, especially the graduates, who have books along the lines of History, Science, English, not to mention others, who, having no use for them, may be willing to give them to the school. We need such books. Ready and quick reference will thus be within easy reach of the teacher, who can at once refer the pupil to proper sources of information.

Normal schools that have accepted our graduates have found them capable of good work. Let us hope that more will turn their attention to teaching. While the remuneration may

not be as much as comes from many other lines of industry, it is increasing and people are beginning to realize that the teacher must have a living wage that compares favorably with what can be obtained from other employment, else the teaching profession will be in the hands of the poorer instead of the best adapted, and our children will receive second-class instead of first-class service.

Last year we took up with the proper college authorities the question of college entrance certification. We submitted a report of the work done and were pleased to receive notice that trial certification was extended to us. We hope that this may be placed upon a firmer basis, that we may be included in the number to whom it is granted for at least three-year periods. Encouraging reports of those who entered college last fall on certificate lead us to cherish the hope that we shall be extended the privilege at least another year. While pupils have entered college from this school heretofore, having been well prepared and having passed the entrance examinations with credit, this is our first reception within college enrollment without examination. To retain it means better work on the part of all. "Who goes not forward, goes backward."

An aid to higher standing, it seems to me, is a sub-freshman year. Coming, as it would, right after the 9th grade, it will enable many who are not quite ready to take up high school work to best advantage to get onto their feet and gain much more from the regular course than they do now. While it will add some fifteen periods of work to the course, it will enable the work in some subjects to be done in other years in four-period instead of five-period weeks. Hence more advanced work can be done. At present the time to enable pupils to complete the required work in mathematics is too short. It cannot be done as thoroughly and completely as it ought. This also applies to other subjects courses. While some schools are shunning the 9th grade, doing all the work below the high school in 8 grades, they may later find that public health is not improved or seasoned judgment gained by forcing

pupils after hothouse methods, and will let the pendulum swing back to what has been considered a safe and sane position.

We are duly appreciative of the assistance and courtesies extended to us by Mr. Hadlock, whose presence is welcome to all, teachers and pupils. Appreciating the broadening spirit of goodwill towards us from pupils and community, commending my assistants in their labors, recognizing that your own efforts are mainly responsible for the standing of our schools,

I am

Very truly yours,

THOMAS ALLEN

Report of the Supervisor of Music

"All our life is music,
If we but touch the chords aright and in tune."

Public school music consists of Sight Singing, Songs and Written Work. Other elements, however, must be considered; among them Interpretation, which calls for correct pronunciation, clear enunciation and an intelligent rendering of the sentiment of a song; and proper Tone Production, which may be secured by voice drills and correct breathing.

In all schools, individual slip singing is an important feature. It trains the eye and the memory, calls for accurate judgment and quick thinking, increases the pupil's self control, requires intense concentration, and improves the ability to read at sight.

For Written Work, slip exercises, exercises from the music book or from the board, and supplementary songs are copied. In the upper grades they have copied hymns and songs in soprano, alto, tenor and bass.

The songs selected are melodious and pleasing, with proper range and illustrative of some theoretical point. In many cases, works of some famous composer are taken in simplified form. Rote singing is a good example of imitation and helps to develop a musical taste. For the artistic rendition of a song, attention must be given; if not heard distinctly, the song loses its beauty. It is especially interesting to have a

variety of songs as follows:

September	Harvest Songs
October	Fall Songs
November	Thanksgiving Music
December	Christmas Songs and Carols
January	Snow, Skating and Jack Frost Songs
February	Valentine and George Washington Songs
March	Folk Songs and Lullabies
April	Pussy Willow and Spring Songs
May	Flower Songs and Memorial Music
June	Standard familiar tunes and review those learned during the year.

The Franklin school, beginning last September, has been having a music lesson every week. The children have shown a keen interest in the work which is evident by the results. Last year, when we commenced, they could not read at all, and now they are able to do so in several keys.

High School music consists of chorus singing, a theoretical examination in the fall and winter term, while the spring term is devoted to Memorial music and work on the graduation program. It is difficult to get results when the chorus is small, the parts do not balance and only one lesson a week. Last year, at graduation, three girls did a little solo work, which was appreciated by the audience, and helped the girls to gain confidence by this public appearance.

The helpful spirit and co-operation of the superintendent, committee and teachers have made the work very pleasant for me and added largely to its profit for the children. To them and all others who have helped, I wish to express my gratitude and appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE M. BABB, *Supervisor of Music*

January 1, 1917

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The schools were visited and the whole number of pupils, 428, were examined. The vaccination law has also been complied with.

In October, there were two cases of Infantile Paralysis in the Dwight school which necessitated closing the schools for two weeks.

JAMES L. COLLARD, *School Physician*

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER

To the School Committee:

I have received during the year from the school committee, teachers and superintendent, 14 summonses to absentees from school. To all of these I have given prompt attention and have seen that they have attended school.

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Attendance Officer*

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

For the school year ending June 30, 1916

Whole number	477
Number enrolled	428
Average membership	415
Average attendance	367
Number below 5 years	0
" between 5 and 7 years	62
" " 7 and 14 years	292
" " 14 and 16 years	51
" above 16 years	23

SCHOOL STATISTICS

SCHOOLS	Whole Number.	No. enrolled.	No. between 5 and 7.	No. between 7 and 14	No. between 14 and 16.	No. over 16	Av. Membership.	Av. Attendance.
High.	53	53	0	6	26	21	46	42
Center Grammar.	49	44	0	30	12	2	42	39
Center Intermediate.	41	33	0	32	1	0	35	32
Center Primary.	50	47	13	34	0	0	44	34
Cold Spring.	26	24	5	19	0	0	16	14
Franklin Grammar.	33	32	0	27	5	0	33	28
Franklin Intermediate.	34	32	0	32	0	0	34	32
Franklin Primary	36	32	24	8	0	0	31	29
Liberty.	36	31	4	24	3	0	33	30
Washington.	27	26	6	20	0	0	20	19
Rock Rimmon	8	8	2	6	0	0	7	7
Chestnut Hill								
Holyoke								
Federal	21	15	3	11	1	0	21	15
Lake Vale.	25	19	1	17	1	0	22	21
Union.	13	13	2	11	0	0	12	10
West Hill.	10	7	1	5	1	0	9	7
East Hill.								
Laurel.								
Blue Meadow	15	12	1	10	1	0	10	8
	477	428	62	292	51	23	415	367

SCHOOL RESOURCES

Appropriation Feb. 1, 1916	\$ 7,000.00
From state school fund	1,154.38
Superintendency fund	900.00
From the Bridgman fund	262.70
From the Longley fund	136.00
State wards' tuition	547.75
Enfield pupils' tuition	269.00
Overdrawn	1,343.61
	\$11,613.44

EXPENDITURES

Teachers' salaries	\$ 6,816.42
“ “ Bridgman fund for	
high school	262.70
Teachers' salaries, Longley fund for music	136.00
Supervision	1,159.00
Fuel	876.98
Janitor and supplies	461.45
Transportation	1,019.00
Books and supplies	493.78
Miscellaneous	146.04
Outstanding orders	242.07
	\$11,613.44

There are outstanding bills to the amount of \$ 360.19

REPAIRS

Appropriation	\$ 500.00
Expenditures	\$ 248.02
Balance	251.98
	\$ 500.00

Roll of Honor

Pupils who have not been absent or tardy one or more terms during the year.

ONE TERM

Belding Jackson	George Weston
Martha Weston	Thomas Austin
Leodore Couture	Clayton George
Milton George	Edward Shuttleworth
John Sullivan	James Sullivan
Mildred Sullivan	Morris Landers
Michael Landers	Patrick Landers
Francis Murphy	Rose Donohue
John Dudek	Mary Duscha
Anna Krul	Joseph Kulik
Charles Moquin	Dolores Moquin
Stanley Meshonski	Frank Rys
Cassie Sullivan	Michael Keyes
Joseph Syper	Anna Boduck

TWO TERMS

Leona Farley	Arthur Farley
Willie Smith	Louis Austin
Paul Austin	William Austin
Alvin Michel	Martha Knight

Alice Flaherty
 Andrew Kulic
 Michael Kulic
 Katie Stolar
 Cora Boduck
 Antonina Kroll
 Anna Murry
 Bronka Duscha
 Andrew Spauvenski
 Alphonse Moquin
 Bertha Pratt
 Margaret Kempkes
 Raymond Farley
 Ernest Sarnaka
 Alice Pierce
 Fannie Pierce

Bernard Keyes
 Edward Kroll
 Mary Kulic
 Michael Shaurenski
 Bolae Walas
 Bronka Dadek
 Edward LeBida
 Irene Sullivan
 Eva Meshanski
 Julia Syper
 Verna Doucett
 Olive Pratt
 Walter Welch
 Anson Cartier
 Daniel Flynn
 Malcom Eaton

ONE YEAR

Francis Allen
 Albert Nelson
 Eugene Flaherty
 John Duscha
 Henry Rys
 Lillian Farley
 Katherine Cavanaugh
 Nellie Cavanaugh
 James McLean

Theodore Hazen
 William Chamberlain
 John Flaherty
 Catherine Landers
 Isabel Farley
 Elizabeth Cavanaugh
 Mary Cavanaugh
 Howard McLean

Report of the School Committee

In submitting this, our annual report for the year closing Dec. 1916, your committee regret that we have been unable to run the schools for less money, owing to rising cost along all lines. However, we feel that we are getting something for the money expended and that the schools are improving throughout the town. Our High school is now on the approved list of certified schools, and graduates of this school can now enter any college in New England, except Harvard and Yale, on certificate. Two graduates of B. H. S. 1916, the first to avail themselves of this privilege, are taking a college course and making good.

Owing to two cases of Infantile paralysis in the Dwight district during the fall term, all the schools in town were discontinued for a period of two weeks, per order of the Board of Health. The Dwight school remained closed for three weeks. As there has been no recurrence of the disease it is hoped that there will be no further interruptions and that our schools will be able to continue in session according to the arranged schedule.

Basing an estimate on present cost of running our schools, your committee recommend the following appropriations for the year 1917:

For support of schools, including transportation and fuel	\$ 8,500.00
For repair of school houses	500.00
For payment of outstanding bills	360.19
	\$ 9,369.19

ROSWELL ALLEN	}	<i>School Committee</i>
ANDREW SAYERS		
H. W. ELIOT		

Dec. 30, 1916

GRADUATING EXERCISES

OF THE

Belchertown High School

JUNE 21

1916

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

8 P. M.

Class Poem

The moon rose silently over the harbor,
And by its fitful light
Revealed two ships there riding at anchor,
Swaying from left to right.
One of them was a gallant vessel,
That rode the mighty main
And ever with the winds did wrestle,
And never fought in vain;
Across the seas with foreign land
She traded far and wide,
And always lent a willing hand
To neighbors on the tide.
Long years ago her sail was furled
And through the winter's blast
Her flaunting pennon bravely hurled;
But she's anchored now at last.
The other, on the self same day,
Set sail with prospects just as bright,
But lingered a moment in idle delay
And fortune passed her in her plight.
The wind was hushed, her sail fell slack,
The sea was calm and dreary;-
They turned around and rowed her back,
The crew was sad and weary.
To-night we launch on life's great sea
With all the world before us.
Where, when we anchor shall we be?
May fortune's wing rest o'er us!

R. E. H.

Program	<i>Mendelssohn</i>	Class Motto
Invocation The Lord is Great		"Tonight we launch: Where shall we anchor?"
Salutatory Essay	CHORUS ALICE M. AUSTIN	Class Flower
Class History	ROSE E. MARSH	White Rose
The Merry Heart	SOLO AND CHORUS	Class Colors
The Red Cross Society	RUTH E. HANIFIN	Green and White
Class Will		
Union Jack	GARRETT P. CAVANAUGH	Graduates
America, the Land of Opportunity	CHORUS	ALICE MARGARET AUSTIN HELEN AGNES AUSTIN CHARLES ARTHUR BOWLER GARRETT PATRICK CAVANAUGH ALICE MARGARET HANIFIN RUTH ELLEN HANIFIN ROSE ELIZA MARSH
Class Prophecy	ALICE M. HANIFIN	
When Life is Brightest	CHARLES A. BOWLER	
Essay Valedictory	GIRLS' CHORUS	
Preparedness	HELEN A. AUSTIN	Class Officers
Presentation of Diplomas		ALICE M. AUSTIN, <i>President</i> GARRETT P. CAVANAUGH, <i>Vice-President</i> RUTH E. HANIFIN, <i>Treasurer</i> HELEN A. AUSTIN, <i>Secretary</i>
Carmena		
Benediction	CHORUS	
	<i>Wilson</i>	

Town Warrant.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the town hall in said Belchertown on Monday, the fifth day of February at 9.30 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of the town officers and act thereon.

ART. 3. To choose the following named officers: a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, an Auditor, five Constables and a Tax Collector, all for one year; one School Committee for three years, one Assessor for three years; and one Burial Ground Commissioner for three years; one water commissioner for three years; also to vote on question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town.

ART. 4. To choose the following named town officers by nomination: One Tree Warden, Three Fence Viewers, eight Measurers of Wood, eight Surveyors of Lumber, six Field drivers, two almoners of the Whiting Street Fund, and Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Fund, all for one year, and one trustee for the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

ART. 5. To raise money for the support of schools, to include the cost of fuel, school books, and other supplies, transportation, salaries of Teachers, School Committee, Superintendent, Truant Officers, Janitors and incidentals. 8700

ART. 6. To raise money for the repair of schoolhouses and act thereon. 8700

ART. 7. To raise money to defray pauper expenses and

act thereon.

ART. 8. To raise money to defray town expenses and act thereon.

ART. 9. To raise money to repair highways and bridges and to take such action as the town shall deem best.

ART. 10. To see if the town will vote to pay for the bond of the treasurer.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to pay for the bonds, stationery and postage of the Tax Collector in addition to his salary and act thereon.

ART. 12. To see what action the town will take in regard to the use of the town hall or take any other action relative thereto.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money to defray the expenses of lighting the streets for the year ensuing and take any action relative thereto.

ART. 14. To see if the town will employ a person to ring the bell and care for the clock, and act thereon.

ART. 15. To see if the town will raise money to defray the expense of mowing, fencing and keeping in repair the several burying grounds, and act thereon.

ART. 16. To see if the town will vote to choose a committee of three to be known as the committee on appropriations who shall carefully investigate and report at the next annual meeting the amounts needed in the several departments to be expended the ensuing year and act thereon.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of the first nine sections of chapter 50 of The Revised Laws, and act thereon.

ART. 18. To see if the town will vote to adopt the following by-laws, and act thereon.

By-Laws

A by-law relative to the use of sidewalks and streets in the town of Belchertown to be voted as follows:

Section One

The selectmen of the town of Belchertown are by this by-law, subject to the provisions of section 9 of Chapter 52 of the

revised laws, authorized to prohibit the riding of bicycles on the sidewalks of said Belchertown, and also to prohibit, in their discretion, the use of sleds for coasting on certain sections of its streets.

Section Two

Whoever violates either provision of this by-law, shall upon conviction thereof be liable to a fine of not more than \$ 20.00 for such offence, and shall also be liable to pay for all damage suffered thereby.

Section Three

The aforesaid selectmen shall appoint annually a special officer who may without a warrant arrest any person found violating either provision of this by-law.

ART. 19. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Town Clerk to send a copy of the foregoing by-laws to the Attorney General of the Commonwealth for his approval; and if so approved by him, the said clerk shall have a copy thereof published in the Belchertown Sentinel (a newspaper published in Belchertown) for three successive weeks, as the laws in such cases require and direct.

ART. 20. To see if the town will vote to lay a twelve inch tile from the easterly side of its land in the rear of the school buildings, a distance of about three hundred feet, to remove the drainage from Main street which now settles on land of D. F. Shumway, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 21. To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of fifty dollars bequeathed by Ira E. Damon on condition that the income thereof shall be used for the perpetual care of the lot of Ira E. Damon in Mt. Hope Cemetery, and any money not needed in care of said lot shall be used to improve the cemetery.

ART. 22. To see if the town will vote to accept the bequest of one hundred dollars from the late Alonzo D. Randall, for the purpose of keeping in perpetual care, the family lot in Mt. Hope cemetery.

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to place one addi-

tional electric light on Walnut street near the residence of Mrs. Mason L. Sanford. *no*

ART. 24. To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of fifty dollars from the estate of Lydia A. Barton, the income from which shall be used for the perpetual care of her burial lot in Mt. Hope cemetery.

ART. 25. To see if the town will vote to give to Clapp Memorial Library the dog fund due the town after the damages are paid.

ART. 26. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars to pay discount on notes, or take any other action relative thereto. *250*

ART. 27. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for suppression of the Brown Tail Moth as required in chapter 381, acts of 1905 and amendments thereto.

ART. 28. To hear the report of any committee or committees whose duty it is to report at this meeting, and act thereon.

ART. 29. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for spraying and trimming shade trees, and act thereon.

ART. 30. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of fifty dollars for the G. A. R. on Memorial Day.

ART. 31. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the following sums to cover overdrafts of previous years:

Town account	\$ 560.67
Cemeteries	42.63
Poor	743.73
Highways	391.62
Schools	1,290.88
Court fees	271.59

and take any other action relative thereto. *3301:12*

ART. 32. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of fifty dollars for the Hampshire County Bureau.

ART. 33. To see if the town will vote to install two more electric lights, one near the residence of John Merrill, and one near the residence of Alvin Cutting, and appropriate *no*

money for the same.

ART. 34. To see if the town will vote to authorize its treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1st 1917, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 22,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

ART. 35. To see if the the town will vote to raise the sum of two thousand dollars by taxation to be used with four thousand dollars from the state to be expended on the Belchertown-Amherst road, under the supervision of the Massachusetts Highway Commission.

ART. 36. To see if the town will vote to borrow a sum of money not to exceed eight thousand dollars and to issue time notes payable two thousand dollars each year, to be used with the sixteen thousand dollars from the state to be expended on the Belchertown-Amherst road under the supervision of the Massachusetts Highway Commission.

ART. 37. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Polls to be opened at 9.30 o'clock A. M. and may be closed at three o'clock P. M. unless otherwise ordered by vote of the town.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on Community League Hall, one at Dwight and one at Keyes' hotel, seven days before the time of holding aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of holding aforesaid meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-seventh day of January A. D. 1917.

E. F. SHUMWAY	}	<i>Selectmen of Belchertown</i>
E. R. PEESO		
F. M. AUSTIN		

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Minutes of Town Meeting Held

February 5, 1917

Meeting called to order at 9.30 o'clock a. m. by town clerk A. Bridgman, who read the warrant and then called for action under article 1st.

ART. 1

Moderator Alvan R. Lewis.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Wheeler.

ART. 2

The weather being so very bad, on motion of Edward R. Peeso it was voted to adjourn to meet Monday, February 12th, at 10 o'clock a. m.

FEBRUARY 12

ART. 4

Voted to waive the reading of all reports and they were accepted in their regular order. Ballot clerk, tellers and counters sworn, ballots delivered to ballot clerk and receipt taken. Keys to ballot box given to M. S. Barton, constable. Ballot box found empty. Polls opened at 10.30 o'clock.

Ballot clerks, M. E. Williams and Timothy Garvey.

Tellers, Roy Baggs and H. M. Lamson.

Gate Keepers, James Moriarty and Wm. Kimball.

Counters, R. E. Fairchild and Thomas O'Connor.

“ F. M. Fuller and Willie Keyes.

Tree warden, James A. Peeso.

Fence viewers, George Witt, H. S. Pratt and W. S. Piper.

8 measurers of wood, Austin Kimball, E. R. Peeso, F. M. Fuller, H. S. Pratt, E. F. Flaherty, W. M. Goodell, H. M. Lamson and H. H. Barrett.

8 surveyors of lumber, H. S. Pratt, E. R. Peeso, Austin Kimball, E. F. Shumway, F. M. Fuller, H. M. Lamson, H. H. Ward and James A. Peeso.

6 field drivers, C. E. Davis, Herbert Peeso, Melvin Bardwell, Manoog H. Jejian, E. F. Flaherty and James Moriarty.

2 almoners of Whiting Street and S. M. D. Bridgman fund, Mrs. H. F. Curtis and Mrs. M. G. Ward.

1 trustee of Calvin Bridgman fund for 3 years, Guy C. Allen.

ART. 5

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 8,700 for support of schools.

ART. 6

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 500 for repairs of school houses.

ART. 7

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 2,500 for pauper expenses.

ART. 8

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 2,500 for town expenses.

ART 9

Voted that we raise \$ 4,000; \$ 500 to be spent on Geo. Weston mill road, thence past Geo. Coleman's, thence past Lake Vale school house to Amherst line and from Frank Bridgman corner to Amherst line on west side of Lake Metacomet. Also \$ 200 on highway leading past Arthur Warner's.

ART. 10

Voted to pay for the treasurer's bond.

ART. 11

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 40 to pay for the bond, stationery and postage of the tax collector in addition to his salary.

ART. 12

Voted to leave with the selectmen the use of the town hall.

ART. 13

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 1,300 to defray the expense of lighting the streets and then voted to take up article 23rd and voted to lay on the table. Then voted to take up article 33 and voted to lay on the table.

ART. 14

Voted to leave the care of town clock and bell with the selectmen.

ART. 15

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 100 to defray the expense of mowing, fencing and keeping in repair the several burying grounds.

ART. 16

Voted that the chairman appoint a committee of 3 to be known as the committee on appropriations and the following were appointed, Roswell Allen, E. R. Peeso and M. S. Barton.

ART. 17

Voted to lay on the table the provisions of the nine sections of Chapter 50 of the Revised Laws.

ART. 18

Voted to lay on the table, and to include article 19th.

ART. 20

Voted to lay a stone drain in accordance with the article as inserted in the warrant and to raise \$ 200.

ART. 21

Voted to accept the sum of \$ 50 from Ira E. Damon in accordance with the article as inserted in the warrant.

ART. 22

Voted to accept the bequest of \$ 100 from the late Alonzo D. Randall in accordance with the article as inserted in the warrant.

ART. 23

Voted to lay on the table, and take up article 33rd which was also voted to lay on the table.

ART. 24

Voted to accept the sum of \$ 50 from the estate of Lydia A. Barton in accordance with the article as inserted in the warrant.

ART. 25

Voted to give to Clapp Memorial Library the dog fund in accordance with the article as inserted in the warrant.

ART. 26

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 300 to pay discount on notes.

ART. 27

Voted to lay on the table, and then voted to take from the table and leave with the selectmen and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 50.

ART. 28

The committee had no report to make.

ART. 29

Voted to lay on the table the matter of spraying and trimming shade trees.

ART. 30

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 50 for the G. A. R. Memorial day.

ART. 31

Voted to appropriate in accordance with the article in

the warrant.

Voted to keep the polls open until 4.30 o'clock.

ART. 32

Voted to lay on the table and then voted to take from the table and to raise the sum of \$ 50 for the Hampshire County Bureau.

ART. 34

Voted to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1st, 1917 to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 22,000 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

Voted to suspend action on article 36 and take up article 37, and to choose a committee of five in regard to state road, and the following were chosen, M. A. Morse, G. H. B. Green, D. D. Hazen, Wesley Goodell, chairman of selectmen and H. H. Ward.

ART. 35

Voted to lay on the table.

ART. 36

Voted to lay on the table.

At 4.30 o'clock voted to keep the polls open until 5 o'clock.

ART. 3

At 6 o'clock p. m., the counting of the ballots being completed the clerk announced as follows:

Whole number of votes cast, 313 males, 2 females.

TOWN CLERK

Arthur Bridgman, 145 votes, G. H. B. Green, 125 votes,
blanks 45.

SELECTMEN

	votes		votes
Dr. Francis M. Austin	222	Frank E. Austin	65
John J. Garvey	149	Edward R. Peeso	200
Edwin F. Shumway	145	E. A. Bardwell	1
R. E. Fairchild	1	Blanks	155

TOWN TREASURER

Arthur Bridgman, 150 votes G. H. B. Green, 130 votes
blanks 36.

ASSESSOR FOR 3 YEARS

James A. Peeso, 109 votes Henry H. Witt, 184 votes

AUDITOR

George F. Lincoln, 217 votes.

TAX COLLECTOR

Eugene F. Flaherty, 137 votes D. F. Shumway, 156 votes
blanks 20.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE 3 years

Andrew J. Sears, 128 votes E. Clifton Witt, 155 votes
blanks 32.

CONSTABLES

	votes		votes
Michael F. Austin	169	Eugene F. Flaherty	155
William Mansfield	103	James A. Peeso	136
Dwight F. Shumway	116	Myron S. Barton	158
Wesley M. Goodell	111	Charles A. Marsh	113
Peter F. Shea	86	Blanks	418

BURIAL GROUND COMMISSIONER

Myron S. Barton, 238 votes; blanks 75.

LIQUOR LICENSE

Yes, 171; No, 128; blanks 14.

Meeting dissolved at 6.30 o'clock.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

Special Town Meetings

MAY 15, 1917

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown qualified to vote in election and in Town affairs, to meet at the town hall in said Belchertown on Tuesday the fifteenth day of May next at two o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will vote to petition the director of the Bureau of Statistics for the installation of a system of accounts in accordance with the provision of Chapter 598 of the Acts of 1910 as amended.

ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to appoint a town accountant in accordance with the provision of Chapter 624 of the Acts of 1910 as amended.

ART. 4. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$ 100 for the spraying and trimming of shade trees.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Community house, one at Dwight, one on P. J. Keyes' hotel, seven days before the time of holding the aforesaid meeting. Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this seventh day of May A. D. 1917.

E. R. PEESO	}	<i>Selectmen of Belchertown</i>
J. J. GARVEY		

Hampshire, ss, May 7, 1917.

By virtue of this warrant I have posted the above warrants as directed.

J. A. PEESO, *Constable*

DOINGS ON THE WARRANT

May 15, 1917

Meeting called to order by town clerk, A. Bridgman, who read the warrant and then called for action on article first.

ART. 1

Moderator, George H. B. Green.

ART. 2

Voted that the town petition the director of the Bureau of Statistics for the installation of a system of accounts in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 598 of the Acts of 1910 as amended.

ART. 3

Voted that the town authorize the selectmen to appoint a town accountant in accordance with the provision of Chapter 624 of the Acts of 1910 as amended and voted to appropriate \$300.00 from amount received for liquor licenses for salary of accountant.

ART. 4

Voted to indefinitely postpone action.

Meeting dissolved at 3.15 o'clock.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

SEPT. 17, 1917

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the of Constables of the Town of Belchertown,
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown qualified to vote in election and in town affairs to meet at the town hall in said Belchertown Monday, Sept. 17th, at 2 o'clock p. m., then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at the said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to contract with the State Highway Commission for another section of the state road on the Belchertown and Enfield road and act thereon.

ART. 3. To see if the town will pay for the transportation of the pupils from South Belchertown to the High school and appropriate money for the same or take any other action thereon.

ART. 4. To see if the town will appropriate \$1,000 for the support of schools and act thereon.

ART. 5. To see if the town will appropriate \$600 for the poor department and act thereon.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Community house, one at Dwight, one at P. J. Keyes' hotel, seven days before holding said meeting Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to

the town clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this seventh day of September, A. D. 1917.

E. R. PEESO	}	<i>Selectmen of Belchertown</i>
J. J. GARVEY		

Hampshire, ss, Sept. 10, 1917.

By virtue of this warrant I have posted the within copies as directed.

J. A. PEESO, *Constable*

DOINGS ON THE WARRANT

Sept. 17, 1917

Meeting called to order at 2 o'clock by A. Bridgman, town clerk, who read the warrant and then called for action on article first.

ART. 1

Moderator A. R. Lewis.

ART. 2

Voted to authorize the selectmen to contract with the State Highway Commission for another section of the state road on the Belchertown and Enfield road and appropriate \$ 2,000 for the same.

ART. 3

Voted to pay for the transportation of the pupils from South Belchertown to the High School and appropriate \$ 500 to pay for the same.

ART. 4

Voted to appropriate \$ 1,000 for the support of schools.

ART. 5

Voted to appropriate \$ 600 for the Poor department.

At 4.30 o'clock, no other business before the meeting, the meeting voted to adjourn.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

OCT. 29, 1917

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the town hall in said Belchertown on Monday evening October 29th, at 7.30 o'clock p. m., then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of six hundred dollars for the care of the poor, the same being an extreme emergency involving the health of the people and to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow said sum or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 3. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money for the construction of highways in anticipation of reimbursement by Commonwealth in accordance with provisions of Sec. 4 Chapter 719 of the Acts of 1913 or to take any action relative thereto.

ART. 4. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$ 1,000 for maintaining the public schools of the town.

ART. 5. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$ 500 for the transportation of school children of the town.

ART. 6. To see if the town will vote to purchase a flag or flags that may be placed on the flag pole on the park or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 7. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$ 135.15, unexpended balance from last year's tree warden account.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Community house, one at Dwight and one at P. J. Keyes' hotel at least seven days before the time of holding aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due returns of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of holding aforesaid meeting.

Given under our hands this 19th day of October, A. D. 1917.

E. R. PEESO	}	<i>Selectmen of Belchertown</i>
J. J. GARVEY		

Hampshire, ss.

By virtue of this warrant I have posted true and attested copies as above directed.

JAMES A. PEESO, *Constable*

. DOINGS ON THE WARRANT

Oct. 29, 1917

Meeting called to order at 7.30 o'clock by A. Bridgman, town clerk, who read the warrant and then called for action on article first.

ART. 1

Moderator, A. R. Lewis.

ART. 2

Voted that there be appropriated the sum of \$ 600 for the use of the overseers of the poor on account of extreme emergency involving the health of the people, and that the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow said sum in accordance with the provisions of item 15 of Section 5, Chapter 719 of the Acts of 1913, and to issue

a note or notes of the town therefor, said note or notes to be payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 14, Chapter 719, Acts of 1913, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than five years from the date of issue, or at such earlier dates as the treasurer and selectmen may determine.

ART. 3

Voted that the town authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow a sum, not to exceed \$ 2,000 for the purpose of constructing highway in anticipation of reimbursement by the Commonwealth, such reimbursement first to have been agreed upon with the Massachusetts Highway Commission, and to issue a note or notes therefor for a period not to exceed one year, said loan or loans to be paid from such reimbursement in accordance with Section 4, Chapter 719 of the Acts of 1913.

ART. 4

Voted to appropriate the sum of \$ 1,000 for maintaining the public schools of the town.

ART. 5

Voted to appropriate the sum of \$ 100 for the transportation of school children of the town.

ART. 6

Voted that the selectmen be instructed to keep a flag on the flag pole on the park.

ART. 7

Voted not to appropriate the sum of \$ 135.15 from the unexpended balance from last year's tree warden account, for the care of trees.

At 8.30 o'clock, no other business before the meeting, the meeting voted to adjourn.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

Report of Town Clerk

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1917

STATISTICS OF

BIRTHS

January	3	April	4	July	2	October	5
February	3	May	2	August	1	November	2
March	1	June	5	September	2	December	1

RETURN OF BIRTHS

Dr. J. L. Collard	7	Dr. C. H. Giroux	5
Dr. H. W. Eliot	3	Dr. Jacob Stowell	3
Dr. W. B. Segur	5	Dr. J. A. Robinson	1
Dr. G. W. Rawson	2	Dr. H. B. Robinson	1
Dr. S. O. Miller	3	E. A. Newell, City Clerk	1

MARRIAGES

Number of intentions	19
Number of marriages	19
First marriages, males 18, females	19
Second " " 1 " "	0
Youngest male 17 " "	18
Oldest " 33 " "	36

DEATHS

January	3	April	5	July	0	October	3
February	4	May	5	August	5	November	0
March	6	June	4	September	6	December	6

Assessors' Report

Valuation of real estate	\$ 834,395.00	
" personal estate	226,885.00	
		\$ 1,061,280.00

RATE OF TAXATION, \$ 23.40 PER THOUSAND

Tax on real estate	\$ 19,524.84	
" personal estate	5,309.11	
" polls	1,088.00	
State income tax	696.00	
		\$ 26,617.95

THE TAX HAS BEEN ASSESSED AS FOLLOWS:

Appropriations	\$ 20,578.84	
State tax	2,640.00	
County tax	2,730.22	
State highway tax	323.00	
Overlayings	345.89	
		\$ 26,617.95

Added assessments	\$ 14.86
Number of acres of land assessed	32,948
horses	497
cows	1,191
sheep	23
neat cattle other than cows	519
swine	136
fowls	7,835
residents assessed on property	526
non-residents " " "	144
For polls only	211

MICHAEL P. BOWLER ALMON L. PRATT HENRY H. WITT	}	<i>Assessors of Belchertown</i>
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Town Farm Inventory

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Bed linen	\$ 20.00
Table linen	5.00
Towels, etc.	2.00
Curtains	5.00
Bed spreads and blankets	15.00
5 feather beds	10.00
3 straw beds	1.50
6 mattresses	12.00
15 pillows	5.00
5 bed springs	10.00
20 quilts	20.00
1 bed room set	5.00
6 iron beds	15.00
15 bureaus	30.00
1 stand	.50
12 chairs	8.00
1 center table	2.00
1 dining table	6.00
Washing machine	5.00
Sewing “	5.00
Carpet sweeper	2.00

Oil heater	\$ 5.00
2 cook stoves	10.00
4 stoves	10.00
1 range	35.00
Set dishes	8.00
2 invalid chairs	20.00
2 linoleums	2.00
Incubator	3.00
Pantry utensils	20.00
10 lamps	2.50
Meat and provisions	50.00
Vinegar	18.00
Canned fruit and vegetables	42.50
5 barrels apples	15.00
150 bushels potatoes	225.00
2 bushels beets	3.00
9 " beans	80.00
4 " carrots	6.00
10 cords stove wood	70.00
15 " in yard	75.00
Chains	6.00
Cabbage	15.00
Hoes and shovels	5.00
40 hens	40.00
Double sled	30.00
Single sled	7.00
Express sleigh	10.00
2-horse wagon	90.00
Buggy	50.00
Dump cart	35.00
Manure spreader	30.00
1 pair double harnesses	25.00
Farm harness	10.00
Buggy harness	10.00
Mowing machine	8.00
Horse rake	18.00

Tedder	\$ 5.00
2 plows	25.00
Lanterns, brooms, etc.	5.00
Wheel barrow	15.00
Spring tooth harrow	5.00
Smoothing harrow	5.00
Cultivator	4.00
Corn sheller	3.00
Express pole	1.00
Saws and axes	3.00
Feed cutter	1.00
Creamery and cans	20.00
Grind stone	2.00
Paris green gun	1.50
Pails and measures	1.50
Lawn mower	.50
Ice tongs	2.00
Cant hook	1.00
Fanning mill	2.00
40 tons silage	160.00
Step ladder	1.50
Corn planter	15.00
2 ladders	3.50
Blankets and robes	25.00
33 tons hay	594.00
3 tons meadow hay	25.00
150 bushels corn	160.00
Grain	15.00
Ice	50.00
Cow number 1	80.00
“ “ 2	80.00
“ “ 3	20.00
“ “ 4	60.00
“ “ 5	100.00
“ “ 6	75.00
“ “ 7	80.00

Cow number	8	\$ 100.00
"	" 9	85.00
"	" 10	85.00
"	" 11	80.00
"	" 12	75.00
"	" 13	65.00
1 bull		75.00
1 heifer		60.00
2 two-year olds, 2 yearlings, 2 calves		150.00
2 hogs		70.00
2 horses		375.00
		\$ 4,169.50

Warden's Report

Income at Town Farm, year ending Dec. 31, 1917

Rec'd for milk	\$ 1,496.94
labor with team	209.94
lumber	183.69
hay	81.40
cow	72.50
eggs	29.36
calves	27.75
pigs	25.00
apples	21.00
use of hearse	15.00
veal	12.70
fowls	10.00
bags	2.83
seed corn	2.50
stock service	2.00
use of telephone	.95
	\$ 2,193.56
Due town farm	\$ 105.00

32 hearse calls during the year

5 inmates during the year

L. A. SHUMWAY, *Warden*

Paid out by Warden, for year ending Dec. 31, 1917

Paid for use of telephone	\$ 3.30
barbering	18.00
freight	.72
pineapples	.75
clothes for inmates, A. T. Gallup, Inc.	18.25
strawberries	.50
dill seed	.10
liniment, C. Bartlett	.50
cattle show for inmates	1.45
potatoes, W. S. Piper	19.50
pasturing, Mrs. Lapolice	9.60
pigs, Jas. Garvey	10.00
labor, G. Clough	5.00
labor with team, W. Piper	4.50
extracts, Chas. Morse	2.40
butchering, J. Stadler	3.00
seed, W. A. Burpee	4.85
potatoes, P. Landers	3.00
" A. D. Moore	3.00
" T. Garvey	15.50
setting of eggs, Mrs. Orlowski	1.00
balance on cow, John Fuller	55.00
hair cut and shave, E. Parent	1.00
oats, W. Piper	6.40
extracts, E. Leonard	.25
plants, E. Howard	.50
milk assessment	4.00
labor, R. Weston	7.50
" C. Hamilton	8.00
" L. Orlowski	6.00
" R. Bardwell	1.50
fertilizer, Polsey & Parmenter Co.	16.75
Paid treasurer	1,961.74
	\$ 2,193.56

L. A. SHUMWAY, *Warden*

Report of Town Accountant

An appropriation is recommended this year for the establishing of a Reserve Fund which will do away with special town meetings called to make small appropriations for extraordinary expenditures in the various departments. Section 1, Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1913 defines the purpose of this fund: "To provide for extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures, towns may at the annual town meeting appropriate a sum of money not exceeding five per cent of the tax levy of the preceding year, to be known as the Reserve Fund. No direct drafts against this fund shall be made, but transfers may from time to time be voted by the finance or appropriation committee of the town in towns having such a committee and in other towns by the selectmen; and the town accountant, in towns having such an official, and in other towns the auditor or board of auditors shall make such transfers accordingly. The town treasurer shall honor drafts against the fund so transferred."

The weekly payment of bills has been instituted with the new system of accounting. All bills should be in the hands of the town accountant by Thursday of the week on which payment is desired. Bills of the highway and school departments must have the approval of the department head before the town accountant can place them on a warrant for payment.

CLASSIFICATION OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

RECEIPTS

Taxes 1917	\$ 21,959.87
Taxes 1916	3,159.42
Taxes 1915	872.99
From State	
Corporation tax	496.49
National Bank tax	261.41
Institution Land tax	201.51
Income tax	731.28
Licenses and Permits	
Liquor	1,313.25
Junk	15.00
Pool	4.00
Auctioneer	6.00
Butcher	4.00
Milk	.50
Fines and Forfeits	
Court	204.78
Grants and Gifts	
From State, soldiers' exemptions	95.47
From County, dog licenses	324.30
Town Hall	
Rent	1.50
Fire Department	
Sale of wagon	20.00
Forestry	
Refund on apparatus	12.85
Inspection	
Sealer's fees	20.68
Health and Sanitation	
Inspection of cattle	75.00

Highways

Enfield road 1915 appropriation	\$ 60.00
Enfield road 1916 contract	4,112.72
Enfield road 1917 contract	2,920.73
Amherst road	983.05
For expenses	9.00

Charities

Reimbursements	107.53
Town Farm receipts	1,962.14
Sale of watch	4.00

Education

Tuition, state wards	467.50
" all other	24.00
Superintendency fund	1,250.00
Calvin Bridgman fund income	257.70
Mass. school fund	968.93

Soldiers' Benefits

State aid and soldiers' burials	1,710.00
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Unclassified

Whiting Street fund income	366.00
Susan Bridgman fund income	280.00
Calvin Bridgman library fund income	171.80

Interest

Perpetual Care funds	215.06
Taxes	139.17

Revenue Loans

Amherst National Bank	22,000.00
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Enfield Highway Loan

Amherst National Bank	2,000.00
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Agency

Liquor license	437.25
Halifax Relief subscriptions	100.00

Trust

Perpetual care funds	\$ 100.00
Refunds	99.43
Abatements	274.23
Cash December 31, 1916	3,293.17
	\$74,094.21

PAYMENTS

Legislative

Moderator	5.00
Expenses to hearings	18.60

Selectmen's Department

Salaries	345.00
Stationery and postage	24.86
Transportation	5.50
All other	32.00

Accounting Department

Accountant's salary	85.00
Stationery and postage	8.47
Auditor's salary	40.00

Treasury Department

Salary	104.16
Postage and express	47.20
Bond	25.00
Rent	11.00
All other	4.48

Collecting Department

Salaries	175.00
Bond, stationery and postage	40.00

Assessing Department

Salaries	415.00
Postage, printing, etc.	34.11

Other Finance Officers and Accounts

Certification of notes	10.00
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Law Department	
Town counsel	\$ 74.40
Other expenses	3.00
Town Clerk's Department	
Salary	56.89
Recording fees	27.20
Printing, stationery and postage	15.76
Other expenses	1.05
Election and Registration	
Salaries, registrars	102.00
" election officers	95.00
Printing	9.00
All other	.14
Town Hall	
Janitor	57.51
Fuel	36.92
Lights	17.43
Janitor's supplies	7.05
Repairs	2.00
Telephone	27.95
All other	2.00
Police Department	
Court fees	355.90
Traffic light	24.00
Posting notices	4.00
Fire Department	
Salaries and wages	12.50
Fuel	7.94
Lights	12.30
Care of engine house	19.00
Heater	4.50
Sealing of Weights and Measures	
Salary	60.00

Forestry

Extermination of moths	\$ 51.75
Planting and trimming trees	19.00
Forest warden	53.55
Fighting fires	31.20
Apparatus	25.70

Health Department

Vital statistics, births	6.00
" deaths	7.50
Fumigation and disinfectants	.40
Inspection of animals	150.00
Inspection of meat	255.75
All other	1.46

Highway Department

Salary of Superintendent 1916	25.00
Labor and teams	3,422.17
Lumber	26.50
Gravel and stone	27.80
Equipment and repairs	79.81
Oiling	10.00
Street lighting	1,512.25
Snow and ice removal	260.52
All other	67.87
Construction of stone drain	198.00
Amherst highway contract	1,569.15
Enfield highway 1916 contract	
Labor, teams and roller	4,591.17
Lights	65.35
Lumber, culverts, etc.	357.58
Enfield highway 1915 appropriation	
Labor, teams and roller	71.00
Enfield highway 1917 contract	
Labor, teams and roller	2,949.65
Lights	15.40
Culverts, etc.	459.64

Poor Department — Outside Relief

Groceries and provisions	\$ 711.19
Coal and wood	78.21
Board and care	309.18
Medicine and medical attendance	606.25
State institutions	104.57
Cash (including Bridgman and Whit- ing Street funds)	809.00
All other	358.35

Poor Department — Almshouse

Warden's salary	499.98
Other employees	25.15
Groceries and provisions	950.69
Dry goods and clothing	27.48
Buildings	60.50
Fuel and light	13.00
Hay and grain	810.38
Ice	22.36
Tobacco	26.88
Other expenses	278.10

Soldiers' Benefits

State aid	1,440.00
Soldiers' burials	16.00

School Department

School committee salaries	115.00
Superintendent salary	1,107.00
Physician	25.00
Stationery, printing and postage	12.26
Telephone	3.06
Traveling expenses	1.94
School census	65.00
Teachers' salaries	7,854.76
Text books and supplies	767.12
Tuition	80.00
Transportation	1,351.78

Janitors' services	\$ 525.90
Fuel	741.63
Janitors' supplies	92.04
Architect's fees	100.00
Repairs	477.95
All other	448.41
Unclassified	
Care of flag pole	3.00
Damages to persons and personal property	19.15
Memorial Day	50.00
Care of town clock	48.00
Town reports	115.00
Insurance	160.69
Town pump	1.00
Rent of G. A. R. hall	84.00
Hampshire County Farm Bureau	50.00
Cemeteries	
Commissioners' salaries	20.00
Labor	90.50
Other expenses	3.30
Interest	
Discount on loans	613.12
Municipal Indebtedness	
Revenue loans	22,000.00
Agency, Trust and Investment	
One-fourth liquor licenses to state	437.75
Cemetery perpetual care funds	100.00
State tax	2,640.00
County tax	2,730.22
State highway tax	323.00
Audit of accounts	288.84
Failure to make returns	4.00
Care of funded lots	196.00
Halifax relief	100.00

Refunds and Transfers

Refunds	\$ 99.43
Abatement of taxes	274.23
Dog licenses to library	324.30
Cash December 31, 1917	3,625.57
	\$ 74,094.21

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1917

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash: General	\$ 3,028.05	Temporary Loans	
Trust Fund	597.52	Anticipation of revenue	\$ 6,000.00
	—	Enfield highway	2,000.00
Accounts Receivable	\$ 3,625.57	Overlay balance 1916	\$ 46.74
Taxes		" 1917	322.48
Levy of 1916	\$ 46.74		—
Levy of 1917	3,981.85		\$ 369.22
	—	Less overdrawn overlay 1915	224.79
	\$ 4,028.59		—
			144.43
Departmental		Appropriation Balance	
Enfield highway		Enfield highway 1917	1,496.04
1917	\$ 2,000.00	Trust Fund Balances	
1916	1,475.55	Susan Bridgman poor fund income	213.05
State poor	419.40	Calvin Bridgman library fund income	171.80
State aid	1,440.00	Whiting Street fund income	212.67
Soldiers' burial	16.00	Departmental revenue	3,350.95
	—	Special reserve overlay balance	152.74
	\$ 5,350.95		

A. Bridgman	\$ 1,282.50	Surplus Revenue	
Overdrawn Accounts		1916 and prior	\$ 1,760.31
Moth dept.	\$ 1.75	1917	3,045.78
Enfield road			<u>4,806.09</u>
1916 contract	824.25		
1915 contract	64.61		
Street lights	212.25		
Poor dept.	596.69		
School dept.	1,375.72		
Town account	857.97		
Cemeteries	13.80		
Interest	313.12		
	<u>4,260.16</u>		
	\$ 18,547.77		<u>\$ 18,547.77</u>

Cash and securities	\$ 20,789.69	TRUST ACCOUNTS	
		G. D. Longley fund	\$ 2,208.12
		Calvin Bridgman library fund	4,000.00
		high school fund	6,000.00
		Susan Bridgman poor fund	3,500.00
		cemetery fund	200.00
		Cemetery perpetual care funds	4,881.57
	<u>\$ 20,789.69</u>		<u>\$ 20,789.69</u>

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Appropriation 1917	Additions and transfers	Expended	Overdrafts	Unexpended Balance	Recommended by dept. heads
Town account	\$ 2,500.00		\$ 3,353.97	\$ 853.97		\$ 50.00
Legislative		\$ 23.60	23.60			425.00
Selectmen		407.36	407.36			
Auditor		40.00	40.00			
Treasurer		191.84	191.84			225.00
Clerk		100.90	100.90			135.00
Other finance offices		10.00	10.00			10.00
Collector	40.00	175.00	215.00			200.00
Assessors		449.11	449.11			450.00
Law		77.40	77.40			100.00
Election and registration		206.14	206.14			225.00
Town hall		161.86	161.86			150.00
Police		383.90	383.90			200.00*
Fire		56.24	56.24			60.00
Tree warden		19.00	19.00			150.00
Moth	50.00		51.75		1.75	50.00
Forest fires		110.45	110.45			125.00*
Health		421.11	421.11			350.00*
Town clock		48.00	48.00			48.00
Insurance		160.69	160.69			125.00

G. A. R. hall	84.00	84.00	84.00
Sealer of W. & M.	60.00	60.00	60.00
Unclassified	142.15	142.15	150.00
Town Accountant	300.00	93.47	206.53
Highways	4,000.00	3,969.08	109.33
Street lights	1,300.00	1,512.25	212.25
Poor	2,500.00	5,165.96	596.69
Schools	9,200.00	13,818.87	1,375.72
Memorial day	50.00	50.00	50.00
Interest	300.00	613.12	313.12
Cemeteries	100.00	113.80	13.80
State aid		1,456.00	1,800.00
Reserve Fund			1,300.00
	<u>\$ 20,340.00</u>	<u>\$ 10,175.58</u>	<u>\$ 33,567.02</u>
		\$ 3,367.30	\$ 315.86
			<u>\$ 15,372.00</u>

*Sum recommended plus receipts of department.

W. E. SHAW, *Town Accountant*

Treasurer's Report

Jan. 1, 1917 to Aug. 16, 1917

A. BRIDGMAN, TREAS.

Balance from last year		\$ 2,988.54
County treasurer, dog fund		324.30
State treasurer, highway maintenance	\$ 741.26	
income school fund	968.93	
industrial school	34.00	
highway loan	535.00	
highway commission	1,251.62	
temporary aid	52.00	
transportation pauper	2.13	
support pauper	3.00	
inspection of animals	75.00	
		\$ 3,663.44
D. F. Shumway, taxes of 1916		2,489.68
M. A. Morse		9.00
Sealer of weights, fees		.21
Town farm		942.59
W. D. E. Morse, taxes of 1915		520.70
" abatement		231.62
E. C. Howard for old books		1.50
J. L. Hammett, returned check		50.02

Estate Lydia A. Barton, cemetery fund	\$ 50.00
Amherst Bank, three notes	16,000.00
Fines from district court	128.86
Licenses	1,772.50
E. E. Gay for wagon	20.00
Ira E. Damon, cemetery fund	50.00
Town of Enfield, tuition	24.00
	\$ 29,266.96

The selectmen's order book shows that 385 orders
were issued amounting to

Balance \$ 2,095.61

By Mr. Greeley's report which included the Whit-
ing Street and Susan M. Bridgman funds there
were received and paid out the following:

Received	\$ 29,757.59
Paid out	27,559.31
Balance	\$ 2,198.28

Treasurers' Report

RECEIPTS

Aug. 17, Rec'd of A. Bridgman:		
Deposit in bank		\$ 1,613.38
Bills paid		281.10
Cash		303.80
Rec'd of D. P. Spencer, highway dep't		49.41
for licenses		8.00
of W. D. E. Morse, taxes of 1915		390.53
of D. F. Shumway, taxes of 1916		730.50
of D. F. Shumway, taxes of 1917		22,000.00
of State treas., highway com.	\$ 5,548.12	
“ “ school dept.	1,250.00	
“ “ corporation tax	496.49	
“ “ income tax	731.28	
“ “ Nat. Bank tax	261.41	
“ “ support sick paupers	50.40	
“ “ tuition	433.50	
“ “ state aid	1,710.00	
“ “ reim. taxes	201.51	
“ “ “ fire app.	12.85	
“ “ soldiers' exemption	95.47	
		————— \$ 10,791.03

Rec'd Whiting Street fund	\$ 320.00
Susan M. Bridgman fund	140.00
Int. cemetery funds	206.47
S. M. Bridgman cemetery fund	8.59
Calvin Bridgman library fund	171.80
“ “ high school fund	257.70
First Nat. Bank revenue loan	6,000.00
“ “ “ reimbursement loan	2,000.00
J. J. Garvey, sale Harvey's watch	4.00
L. A. Shumway, town farm	1,019.15
Fines in district court	75.92
Citizens of town, Halifax loan	100.00
Sealer of weights and measures, fees	20.47
	\$ 46,491.89

PAYMENTS

Weekly warrants authorized by the selectmen and town accountant	\$ 42,866.32
Balance on hand	\$ 3,625.57

W. F. NICHOLS, *Treasurer*

Collector's Report

Balance in collector's hands Jan. 1, 1917 for tax 1916	\$ 3,218.16
He has collected interest to amount of	60.80
Total	\$ 3,278.96
He has collected and paid the treasurer including \$.12 abatements	3,232.22
Balance in collector's hands for 1916	\$ 46.74
The amount committed to your collector as per assessors' warrant dated Sept. 1, 1917	\$ 26,617.95
Less the income tax	696.00
	\$ 25,921.95
Added assessments	43.18
Interest collected from Oct. 15, 1917 to Jan. 1, 1918	40.13
Total	\$ 26,005.26
He has collected and paid treasurer including \$ 23.41 for abatements	22,023.41
Balance in collector's hands	\$ 3,981.85

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Collector*

Report of Overseers of the Poor

The Overseers of the Poor present herewith their report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1917:

Owing to the extreme high prices of all food stuffs and other supplies such as grain etc., our expenses in the pauper department have been unusually heavy. There has been an average of four men paupers at the almshouse with some sickness and one death. The barn at the town farm had to be shingled at a cost of \$101.00.

The persons aided outside the almshouse number thirty, a part of which were fully supported, others were given more or less aid. There has been one consumptive case in Rutland Sanitarium, and four cases of disease in other hospitals. The aid rendered by the selectmen and the almoners of the Whiting Street and Susan M. D. Bridgman funds, has given temporary relief to the usual number.

E. R. PEESO	}	<i>Overseers of the Poor</i>
J. J. GARVEY		

Report of Board of Health

The Board of Health of the town of Belchertown submits the following report:

There were seven cases of contagious disease reported to the board from Jan. 1, 1917 to Jan. 1, 1918. One of these was a case of typhoid fever of which the patient died. The other six cases were all of diphtheria, four of which were reported from one family. One child aged five years died of diphtheria.

Aside from these few cases the town has been quite free from contagious and infectious diseases.

E. R. PEESO	}	<i>Board of Health</i>
J. J. GARVEY		

Report of the Selectmen

The Selectmen respectfully submit the following report:

The board organized with E. R. Peeso, chairman, and Dr. Francis M. Austin, clerk.

Soon after election the selectmen met and made all necessary appointments, such as public weighers, inspectors of meat etc.

On Sept. 21, Dr. F. M. Austin tendered his resignation as selectman and holder of several minor offices, to join the United States' Army. In this the town lost a conscientious and able official.

The board, to carry out a note of the town taken at a special town meeting, to contract for a section of state road, entered into a contract with the State Highway Commission, on the Enfield road, commencing at the end of the 1916 contract near the Holland place and working towards Enfield. Mr. E. F. Shumway who had charge of the work was very fortunate in procuring men and teams for this work and made a good start, and it is to be hoped that the in coming board of selectmen will take this work up in the early spring, and put it through, or go as far as they can under favorable circumstances.

E. R. PEESO	}	<i>Selectmen of</i>
J. J. GARVEY	}	<i>Belchertown</i>

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

Sealing 4 platform scales over 5,000 lbs.	\$ 4.00
“ 18 “ “ under “	9.00
“ 3 computing scales	1.50
“ 42 other scales	1.32
“ 128 weights	3.84
“ 14 liquid measures	.42
“ 4 oil pumps	.48
“ 3 molasses pumps	.36
“ 3 linear measures	.09
Total fees	\$ 21.01
Amount paid town treasurer	20.68
Balance due the town	\$ 0.33

Respectfully submitted

CHARLES F. AUSTIN, *Sealer*

Report of Committee on Appropriations

The committee on appropriations recommend as follows:

For Legislative expenses	\$ 50.00
Selectmen	425.00
Treasurer	225.00
Town clerk	135.00
Office incidentals	10.00
Collector	200.00
Assessors	450.00
Legal advice	100.00
Election and registration	225.00
Town hall	150.00
Court expenses and traffic light	200.00
Fire department	50.00
Tree warden	150.00
Gypsy moth, etc.	50.00
Forest fires	125.00
Board of health	350.00
Town clock	48.00
Insurance	125.00
G. A. R. hall	84.00
Sealer of weights and measures	60.00
Miscellaneous	150.00
Town accountant	225.00
Highways	3,500.00
Street lights	1,325.00
Poor department	3,000.00
Schools	11,100.00
Memorial day	50.00
Interest	600.00
Cemeteries	200.00
State aid	1,800.00
Reserve fund	1,300.00

MYRON S. BARTON	}	<i>Committee on Appropriations</i>
E. R. PEESO		
ROSWELL ALLEN		

Honor Roll

Belchertown Men in the Military Service of the United States

Edgar Allen
Lester J. Allen
Dr. Francis M. Austin
Harold Bailey
Vernon L. Bardwell
Harry E. Bishop
William Bishop
Joseph C. Bothwell
William D. Brackett
*Daniel B. Coleman
Stanley DeMoss
Ralph Dodge
Joseph Drohan
L. Leland Dudley
Dr. Henry W. Eliot
Alfred Graney
John W. Jackson, Jr.
George N. Jenks
Edward B. Parent
Charles Readon
John B. Riley
*Thomas P. Riley
Jerry Ruell
Paul R. Squires
Herbert I. Story, Jr.
Phinian Vance
Cyril W. Van Courtlandt
Chauncey Walker
F. Dudley Walker
Carlton E. White
Fred Wood
Albert H. Wydeen

*Not at present in active service.

Annual Report

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION, MARCH 1917—1918

School Committee

ROSWELL ALLEN,	Term expires, March 1918
HENRY W. ELIOT,	" " " 1919
E. CLIFTON WITT,	" " " 1920

Superintendent

ALVAN R. LEWIS,	Term expires, Sept. 1, 1918
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Attendance Officer

D. F. SHUMWAY,	Term expires, June 30, 1918
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School Physician

HENRY W. ELIOT, M. D.,	Term expires, Sept. 1, 1918
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Report of the School Committee

Belchertown, Mass.,
Dec. 31st, 1917

Submitting this, our annual report, for your consideration, your school committee respectfully call attention to the fact that we are facing conditions that have been unexpected and unprepared for. These have placed this country on a new basis and town, state and national affairs are all affected. While we have been accustomed to running our local governments pretty much as best suited the immediate section interested we now are forced to realize that we are ONE NATION and that "We must all hang together or we shall hang separately." While appropriations have, of necessity, been exceeded we feel ourselves fortunate indeed to have been able to keep expenses as low as our report indicates but cannot hope to do it longer unless conditions change materially. We pay our corps of teachers less than almost any other town in the state and lose many of the best who cannot resist the substantial increase of salary offered by our neighbors. We need *good* teachers here and to retain them must pay what is recognized as *standard* wages. The fuel situation is, just at present, a perplexing problem. The order for coal for the center schools was placed early in the season at a very attractive price. The dealer has done his best to furnish, according to

contract, but with "No coal to be had" and none on hand at this Christmas vacation we find ourselves in the same situation that many other towns are throughout this commonwealth and entire country. The district schools, using wood for fuel, will doubtless run their regular sessions and we hope the opening of the center schools will not be long deferred.

We find that cost of transportation has steadily increased, due to an unprecedented advance in feeds and labor. It has been suggested that some of the vacant schools be re-opened, thus eliminating that expense; the matter will receive careful consideration before the opening of the next school year.

The year of 1917 has passed very smoothly in this department and your committee thank Supt. Lewis for his efficient oversight.

The appropriation asked for the year of 1918 seems large; it is large for this town in comparison to past appropriations; however it is as low as we dare to make it and even then we fear it will have to be exceeded. We trust the voters will need no arguments to convince them that WAR conditions and WAR PRICES exist and we must all unite in bearing the increased burden.

ROSWELL ALLEN, Ch. H. W. ELIOT, Secy. CLIFTON WITT	}	<i>School Committee</i>
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Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Belchertown,

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit for your consideration my tenth annual report which is the fourteenth in this series.

ATTENDANCE

The attendance for the year ending June 30, 1917, was much better than the preceding year. The per cent of attendance was 93, an increase of nearly 5 per cent. The number of cases of tardiness was large, much larger than it ought to have been. A few pupils were responsible for a large part of these. I hope that the parents will assist the teachers in correcting this bad habit of being late that some of the children are forming.

TEACHERS

Eleven teachers have resigned during the year, all of which with possibly two exceptions, accepted positions more lucrative. Mrs. Libbie Gutberlett who has taught for nearly forty years in Belchertown was placed on the retired list, and Mrs. Florence Clough, teacher of music was granted one year's leave of absence beginning September 1, 1917. Miss Rosemary Keane was chosen to carry on the work in music but resigned during the Thanksgiving recess.

It was thought best to open the school at West Hill in September and Miss Mabel Randolph was placed in charge. Because of the small number of pupils attending this school, I would suggest that these pupils be conveyed to the Union school or that arrangement be made for them to attend a school in Pelham which is more convenient.

The question of securing teachers for our schools has become serious, owing to the small salary we pay. In years past it was possible to secure graduates of our high schools for some of the small rural schools; but to-day the small salary offered does not attract them. I was recently informed by an agency from which I have engaged many teachers that it would be impossible to supply any more teachers at the small salary we offer, nine or ten dollars a week.

The last report of the State Board of Education gives the cost per pupil from local taxation in Belchertown, \$ 22.67, rank 333, almost at the foot. In the average wages paid grade teachers, Belchertown is third from the last.

SCHOOLS

The teachers have shown interest in their work; and the proper attitude of the pupils towards their teachers and interest in their duties have resulted in improvement in the work of all the schools. When these relations exist good work is always accomplished. The greatest effort has been made in the improvement of reading and penmanship with gratifying results, but there is ample opportunity for greater effort.

Our boys and girls have been doing their bit in the war by their work in the Home Clubs. By raising vegetables, canning, cooking, sewing, and raising poultry they are learning to do these things by doing them. Two thousand eight hundred pigs were raised last year by the boys and girls in the state. I hope a larger number of our pupils will join the Home Clubs this year.

The following is from a letter sent to the superintendents and school committees throughout the state by the Commission-

er of Education, Payson Smith.

"With the approach of the annual town meetings, when the question of appropriations is to be taken up, our people should give thoughtful attention to the unusual conditions confronting the schools. Increased costs in every direction bring the towns and cities face to face with the necessity of increasing school appropriations for the coming year. The schools have never before required more thoughtful attention to their needs, and it will not be safe to handicap them with a policy of retrenchment.

"It is worthy the attention of the American people that, in spite of enormous expenditures for war purposes, France is giving unprecedented attention to her public schools, and England, for the current year, increased her expenditures for public education 30 per cent over that for any preceding year.

"In view of the present situation, Massachusetts cannot afford to relax in any degree her efforts to carry on her schools at highest efficiency.

"Education is a long-time investment. Its purpose is to protect democracy through the right training of the youth. Even temporary interference with this purpose, through inadequate financial support, may seriously impair the quality of our future citizenship. In the present crisis, it is imperative that towns and cities give careful consideration to the needs of the schools."

In closing I call your attention to the report of the principal of the high school.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVAN R. LEWIS

December. 31, 1917

Report of High School Principal

Superintendent A. R. Lewis,

Dear Sir,-

Closing the high school several weeks on account of infectious diseases seriously impaired the work of last year. However we succeeded in covering the essential principles so that the upper classes had a good grasp of the work. This year we hoped to make a much better showing than in any previous year. The present enforced vacation will be a serious deterrent and it is doubtful if the close of the school year will find even an average amount completed. The quality must not be lowered, the quantity may be.

Gratifying reports of the progress made by our recent graduates come to me. Those who expect to enter normal school or college under present conditions may well look ahead. To do the work of forty weeks in twenty-seven will require the pupil to be better fitted, better trained, more self-reliant, more sagacious than former pupils in order to maintain, perhaps, not as good a record, yet one that shall be creditable and acceptable. It means more intensive application, closer attention, harder self-driving that the pupil may not "be weighed in the balance and found wanting."

We must teach better, make better preparation, sift out

the essentials and instruct in them. Hence, if the demands appear onerous, may pupils and parents realize that unusual conditions require unusual adjustment and to that end may they not destructively criticize but heartily sustain our efforts even as they have heretofore done.

That our school committee are in sympathy with the aims of the school is shown by their efforts to supply it with needed equipment. The chemistry table meets all needs for that department. A new bookcase relieves congestion and also permits room for a school library. Contributions of historical, scientific and literature books, also good fiction will be appreciated.

To those who have been associated with me in whatever capacity, due recognition of their assistance is hereby given.

Very truly yours,

THOMAS ALLEN

Dec. 31, 1917

Report of Attendance Officer

To the School Committee:-

I have received during the year from the school committee, teachers and superintendent, 12 summonses to absentees from school. To all of these I have given prompt attention and have seen that they have attended school.

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Attendance Officer*

School Calendar

HIGH SCHOOL

The high school will open Sept. 2, 1918, and will close Dec. 20, 1918. It will re-open Dec. 30, 1918 and will continue until June 27, 1919 with an intermission of one week at the expiration of every eight weeks.

GRAMMAR AND GRADE SCHOOLS

Spring term will begin Apr. 8, 1918.

“ “ “ close June 21, “

Fall term will begin Sept. 9, “

“ “ “ close Dec. 20, “

Winter term will begin Dec. 30, “

“ “ “ close Mar. 7, 1919.

Teachers January 1, 1918

High School,	Thomas Allen
“ “ Asst.	Edith Wheeler
“ “ “	Hazel Gibbs
Center Gram.,	Lillian Austin
“ Int.,	Theresa Sullivan
“ Prim.,	Ruby Knight
Cold Spring,	Bridget Fitzgerald
Franklin Gram.,	Nellie Shea
“ Int.,	Sadie Demarest
“ Prim.,	Lulu Austin
Liberty,	Ruth Trusk
Washington,	Mildred Morse
Lake Vale,	Mabel Randolph
Federal,	Gertrude Mackey
Union,	Edith Towne
Blue Meadow,	Irene Orlando
Rockrimmon,	Emma Stadler

SCHOOL RESOURCES

Appropriations Feb. 1917	\$ 9,200.00
From state school fund	968.93
Rebate from state for tuition to Ashfield	34.00
Tuition from Enfield	24.00
Trans. from town account	125.00
Superintendency fund	900.00
State wards' tuition	433.50
Bridgman fund	257.70
Refund	50.02
Overdrawn	1,375.72
	\$13,368.87

EXPENDITURES

Teachers' salaries	\$ 7,597.06
" " from Bridgman fund	257.70
Supervision, including school committee	1,193.30
School committee, 1916	30.00
Janitors and supplies	562.88
Tuition to town of Ashfield	80.00
Transportation	1,339.65
Books and supplies	852.14
Repairs	495.27
Fuel	746.76
Miscellaneous	214.11
	\$13,368.87

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE

For year ending June 30, 1917

Total membership	474
*Number enrolled	422
Average membership	388
Average attendance	361
Per cent of attendance	93
Number enrolled under 5 years	0
" " between 5 and 7 years	57

Number enrolled between 7 and 14 years	280
“ “ “ 14 and 16 years	67
“ “ “ over 16 years	18
Number of pupils attending from other towns	3
“ “ “ “ in “ “	4

*This number does not include pupils who have attended any other school in the town or state during the year.

SCHOOL STATISTICS

For year ending June 30, 1917

SCHOOLS	Whole Number.	No. enrolled.	No. between 5 and 7.	No. between 7 and 14	No. between 14 and 16.	No. over 16	Av. Membership.	Av. Attendance.
High.	43	43	0	4	22	17	36	35
Center Grammar.	38	36	0	22	14	0	38	34
Center Intermediate.	35	32	0	32	0	0	29	27
Center Primary.	47	47	13	34	0	0	39	38
Cold Spring.	21	21	3	17	1	0	16	15
Franklin Grammar.	28	24	0	14	10	0	27	24
Franklin Intermediate.	49	47	0	47	0	0	42	41
Franklin Primary.	35	33	23	10	0	0	29	28
Liberty.	36	30	3	23	3	1	30	28
Washington.	25	24	5	19	0	0	22	19
Rock Rimmon.	14	13	4	8	1	0	11	10
Chestnut Hill.								
Holyoke.								
Federal.	25	15	3	11	1	0	15	14
Lake Vale.	25	16	0	15	1	0	16	14
Union.	27	15	0	3	12	0	16	14
West Hill.	8	8	1	7	0	0	8	7
East Hill.								
Laurel.								
Blue Meadow.	18	18	2	14	2	0	14	13
	474	422	57	280	67	18	388	361

Roll of Honor

Names of pupils who have neither been absent nor tardy for one or more terms during the year.

ONE YEAR

Helen Rys	Garfield Hubbard
Mildred Sullivan	Alfrieda Hubbard
Frank Rys	Viola Hubbard
Cassie Sullivan	Michael Kulic
John Flaherty	Laurence McLean

TWO TERMS

Francis Allen	Edward Kulic
James Sullivan	Joseph Klous
John Duscha	Patric Landers
Katie Krul	Henry Rys
Amelia Patruski	Marjorie Peeso
Esther Squires	Mandy Eskett
Dorothy Blackmer	John Kegan
Ruth Boomhower	Nellie Cavanaugh
Antone Simmons	John Flaherty
Bronka Dadek	Willie Smith
Dolores Moquin	Laurence Kozlei
Mary Kulic	Stanley Kulic

Ruth Shuttleworth	Eugène Flaherty
Milton George	Madeline Orlando
Alvin Michel	Clara Boomhower
Gladys Terwilliger	Howard McLean
James McLean	Bessie Kempkes
Margaret Kempkes	Marion Randolph

ONE TERM

Belding Jackson	Cornelius Lynch
Edward Snyder	Louise Davis
Mildred Terwilliger	Jerry Sullivan
Mary Kossella	Bernard Keyes
Michael Landers	Katie Shycharz
Statia Walas	John Fitzgerald
Catherine Landers	Francis Croney
Lillian Eskett	Claire Vezina
Ruth Boomhower	Martha Weston
Jennie Pinski	Minnie Sullivan
Valida Carter	Staffie Klous
Daniel Flynn	Joseph Syper
Julius Jakaboroz	Fannie Kozlick
Darçā Dodge	Edward Kroll
Althea Dodge	Anna Krul
Frances Sauer	Edward Landers
Elizabeth Cavanaugh	Thomas Landers
Catherine Cavanaugh	Elizabeth Merriam
Mary Gondek	Charles Moquin
Alice Putnam	Veronica Patruski
Florence Putnam	Mary Polok
Madeline Sears	Veronica Walas
Irene Sullivan	Violet Duschā
John Dudec	Joseph Kamenski
Bronka Duscha	Joseph Kulic
Mary Duscha	Staffie Kulic
Anna Flaherty	Edward Lebida

James Keyes	Julius Patruski
Michael Keyes	Vonda Patruski
Mary Klous	Clayton George
Alphonse Moquin	Louis Austin
Anna Shuttleworth	John Bigos
Edward Shuttleworth	Raymond Brown
Irene Vezina	Jennie Davis
Aileen Terry	William Davis
Watson Bardwell	Joseph Derio
Milton Blackmer	Mady Gula
Raymond Brooks	Eugene Marcure
Albert Nelson	Annie Wazoka
Mabel Slater	Helen Wazoka
Emile Vezina	Minnie Wazoka
John Wood, Jr.	Henry Suamano
Olive Clough	John Walenaki
Dorothy Peeso	Carrie Berry
Charles Scott	Minnie Berry
Hattie Cook	Izabel Farley
Stasia Gula	Lillian Farley
Preston Atwood	Anthony Rogers

BELCHERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

Graduating Exercises

June 28

1917

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

8 P. M.

Class Poem

In the dim and distant future,
Far across life's wilderness,
Like a star due northward pointing,
Shines forth something called Success.
Hills of doubt and lakes of tears
Lie between us and our due;
Storms of hate and clouds of fear
Ever there to hide the blue.

Two paths lie before us, comrades,
Both have oft before been trod,
One leads downward to destruction,
One leads upward unto God.
This is decked with brilliant flowers,
That is drenched with heroes' blood;
Paved is this with good intentions,
That, beset by fire and flood.

At the turning of the cross road
We must choose as other men;
Grant Thy guidance in that choosing,
There is no returning then!
On that road are joys and sorrows,
Toilsome days and darksome nights;
Ever looking toward that North-Star,
Sometime we shall gain the heights.

B. F. J. '17

Program

Invocation

Unfold, Ye Portals Everlasting

CHORUS

Salutatory Essay True Aim of Education

ISABEL D. BARDWELL

Essay Sculptors of Life

EMMA D. STADLER

Sailing

CHORUS

Essay Progress of Civilization

ETHEL DEWEY

Essay Women of Today

IRENE B. ORLANDO

Blow, Soft Winds

GIRLS' CHORUS

Oration Valedictory An Ideal Government

BELDING F. JACKSON

Anchored

Presentation of Diplomas

Holiday March

Benediction

Gonnod

Class Motto

Per Ardua ad Alta

Class Flower

Red Rose

Class Colors

Red and White

Graduates

ISABEL DORA BARDWELL

ETHEL DEWEY

BELDING FRANCIS JACKSON

IRENE BEATRICE ORLANDO

EMMA DOROTHEA STADLER

Vincent

Class Officers

BELDING F. JACKSON, *President*

ISABEL D. BARDWELL, *Vice President*

IRENE B. ORLANDO, *Treasurer*

ETHEL DEWEY, *Secretary*

Watson

Clements

Town Warrant.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the town hall in said Belchertown on Monday, the fourth day of February in the year A. D. 1918 at 9.30 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of the town officers and act thereon.

ART. 3. To choose the following named officers: a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, an Auditor, five Constables and a Tax Collector, all for one year; one School Committee for three years, one Assessor for three years, and one Burial Ground Commissioner for three years; also to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town.

ART. 4. To choose the following named officers by nomination: One Tree Warden, three Fence Viewers, eight Measurers of Wood, eight Surveyors of Lumber, six Field drivers, two almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, all for one year, and one trustee for the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

ART. 5. To see if the town will accept fifty dollars from the heirs of Mrs. Edgar S. Lane and in consideration thereof care perpetually for the lot in the South cemetery where her body is buried.

ART. 6. To see if the town will accept fifty dollars from John W. Walker of Granby, the income thereof to be used for the perpetual care of lot number 25 in Mount Hope Cemetery, where repose the remains of his wife and her parents.

ART. 7. To see if the town will instruct its Superintendent of Streets to cause the streets abutting on the Park, and also South Main Street as far as the junction of the Ware and Palmer roads to be oiled once each year, the town to pay one-half of the expense thereof; (the balance to be paid by the abutting property owners) and to raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a piece of motor-driven chemical fire apparatus or take any other action relative thereto.

ART. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money sufficient to construct a drain to carry off the surface water on the highway at the north end of Main Street beginning at the property of F. D. Walker north to Walnut Street.

ART. 10. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to purchase the furniture in the engine house hall.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to buy the ashes at the Belchertown Laundry and Supply Co. and pay a sum equal to the taxes assessed in 1917.

ART. 12. To see if the town will vote to give to Clapp

Memorial Library the dog fund due the town after the damages are paid.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to abolish the office of auditor as provided by Chapter 624 of the Acts of 1910 as amended.

ART. 14. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed one thousand three hundred and thirty dollars (\$1,330) to establish a Reserve Fund as provided by Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1913.

ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the surplus revenue the following sums to cover overdrafts of 1917:

Moth department	\$ 1.75
State highway 1915	64.61
Street lights	212.25
Poor department	596.69
School department	1,375.72
Town account	857.97
Cemetery department	13.80
Interest	313.12

or take any other action relative thereto.

ART. 16. To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote taken at a special town meeting on October 29, 1917 whereby the treasurer was authorized to borrow \$ 600 for emergency expenditures in the Poor department.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$ 224.79 to cover the deficit in the overlay of the levy of 1915.

ART. 18. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$ 1,282.50 the amount being charged to A. Bridgman as a result of the recent audit of accounts by the State Bureau of Statistics.

ART. 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses of the current financial year.

ART. 20. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1st 1918, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 22,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

ART. 21. To see if the town will vote to choose a committee of three to be known as the committee on appropriations who shall carefully investigate and report at the next annual meeting the amounts needed in the several departments to be expended the ensuing year and act thereon.

ART. 22. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Polls to be opened at 9.30 o'clock A. M. and may be closed at three o'clock P. M. unless otherwise ordered by vote of the town.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on Community League hall, one at Dwight and one at Keyes' hotel, seven days before the time of holding aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of January A. D. 1918.

E. R. PEESO	}	<i>Selectmen of Belchertown</i>
J. J. GARVEY		

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Minutes of Town Meeting

February 4, 1918

Meeting called to order at 9 a. m. by town clerk A. Bridgman who read the warrant and then called for action under article 1st.

ART. 1

Moderator, A. R. Lewis.

Prayer offered by Rev. Dr. Chandler.

ART. 2

Voted to waive the reading of all reports and they were accepted in their regular order.

ART. 4

Ballot clerk, tellers and counters sworn. Ballots delivered to ballot clerks and receipt taken. Keys to ballot box given to M. S. Barton, constable. Ballot box found empty. Polls opened at 10 o'clock.

Ballot clerks, M. E. Williams and Timothy Garvey.

Tellers, F. D. Walker and Henry Lamson.

Gate Keepers, F. G. Shaw and James Moriarty.

Counters, R. E. Fairchild and J. W. Jackson.

“ John Hawes and M. H. Jejeian.

Tree warden, Dwight F. Shumway.

3 fence viewers, A. J. Rowe, Clifton Witt and Jason Hurlburt.

8 measurers of wood, E. R. Peeso, E. C. Witt, James A. Peeso, E. A. Fuller, R. E. Fairchild, E. F. Flaherty, W. M. Goodell and D. D. Hazen.

8 surveyors of lumber, H. S. Pratt, E. R. Peeso, Austin Kimball, E. F. Shumway, F. M. Fuller, H. M. Lamson, E. F. Flaherty and James A. Peeso.

6 field drivers, George Claflin, H. F. Shaw, Edward Gay, D. F. Shumway, M. H. Jejeian and James Moriarty.

2 almoners of Whiting Street and Mrs. S. M. D. Bridgman funds, Mrs. H. F. Curtis and Mrs. George Witt.

1 trustee of Calvin Bridgman fund for 3 years, M. S. Barton.

ART. 5

Voted to accept \$50 from the heirs of Mrs. Edgar S. Lane in accordance with the article in the warrant.

ART. 6

Voted to accept \$50 from John W. Walker of Granby in accordance with the article in the warrant.

ART. 7

Voted to instruct the superintendent of streets to cause the street abutting on the park and also South Main street to be oiled for one year in accordance with the article in the warrant and voted to raise the sum of \$100 for that purpose.

ART. 8

Voted to raise the sum of \$1,350 to purchase a piece of motor driven chemical fire apparatus in accordance with the article in the warrant.

ART. 9

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

ART. 10

Voted to raise the sum of \$49.80 for the purpose of purchasing the furniture in the Engine house hall.

ART. 11

Voted to indefinitely postpone.

ART. 12

Voted to give to Clapp Memorial Library the Dog Fund.

ART. 13

Voted to abolish the office of auditor as provided by Chapter 624 Act of 1910 as amended.

ART. 14

Voted to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$1,330 to establish a reserve fund as provided by Chapter 645 Acts 1913.

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ART. 16

Voted to rescind in accordance with the article in the warrant.

ART. 17

Voted to appropriate the sum of \$224.79 to cover the deficit in the overlay of the levy of 1915.

ART. 18

Voted not to appropriate the sum of \$1,282.50 in accordance with the article in the warrant.

ART. 19

Voted to raise and appropriate in accordance with the article in the warrant, and following are the amounts recommended by your committee:

Legislative expenses	\$ 50.00
Selectmen	450.00
Treasurer	225.00
Town clerk	135.00
Office incidentals	10.00

Collector	\$ 200.00
Assessors	450.00
Legal advise	100.00
Election and registration	225.00
Town hall	150.00
Court expenses and traffic light	200.00
Street Lights	1,325.00
Poor department	3,000.00
Schools	11,100.00
Transportation	300.00
§ Highway	3,500.00
Bridge work	450.00
Fire department	100.00
Tree warden	150.00
Gypsy moth etc.	50.00
Forest fires and receipts	125.00
Board of Health	350.00
Town clock	48.00
Insurance	140.00
For G. A. R. locker \$25, rent \$14	39.00
Sealer of weights and measures	60.00
Miscellaneous	150.00
Town accounts	225.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Interest	600.00
Cemeteries	200.00
State aid	1,800.00

§ And that a sum not exceeding fifty dollars of this amount be used in conjunction with funds furnished by the Belchertown Bus Line, milk trucks and others interested to keep the road between the Belchertown Post Office and Granby line sufficiently clear from snow to make same passable for both sleds and autos.

ART. 20

Voted to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the

selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1st 1918 to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$22,000 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

ART. 21

Voted to choose a committee of three in accordance with the article in the warrant and the following were chosen: chairman of selectmen, chairman of school committee and superintendent of streets.

At 3 o'clock voted to keep the polls open until 3.30.

At 3.30 voted to keep the polls open until 4 o'clock.

ART. 3

At 5 o'clock p. m. the counting of the ballots being completed the clerk announced as follows:

Whole number of votes cast, males 265, females 0.

TOWN CLERK

Arthur Bridgman, 155 votes,

E. A. Fuller, 1 vote

F. D. Walker, 1 vote,

M. A. Ripley, 2 votes

blanks 106

SELECTMEN

	votes		votes
Michael P. Bowler	110	Jacob V. Cook	116
John J. Garvey	159	Edward R. Peeso	174
Edwin F. Shumway	119	blanks	117

TREASURER

Wilbur F. Nichols, 207 votes, blanks 58

ASSESSOR FOR 3 YEARS

Frank B. Alden, 135 votes

Eugene F. Flaherty, 120 votes

blanks 10

TAX COLLECTOR

Frank E. Austin, 95 votes

Dwight F. Shumway, 154 votes

blanks 16

SCHOOL COMMITTEE 3 years

Everett A. Geer, 139 votes
blanks 44

Andrew Sears, 82 votes

CONSTABLES

	votes		votes
Charles Austin	103	Michael F. Austin	133
Myron S. Barton	157	Michael F. Cavanaugh	51
Eugene F. Flaherty	117	Charles A. Marsh	91
James A. Peeso	121	Daniel F. Shea, Jr.	53
Dwight F. Shumway	109	George E. Williams	133
blanks	238		

BURIAL GROUND COMMISSIONER

Roy G. Shaw, 208 votes; blanks 57

LIQUOR LICENSE

Yes, 152; No, 105; blanks 8.

Meeting dissolved at 5 o'clock.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

LIST OF JURORS FEBRUARY 7th 1918

Frank E. Austin	retired
Lewis H. Blackmer	printer
John J. Garvey	merchant
Edward E. Gay	farmer
Timothy Garvey	farmer
Homer S. Pratt	farmer
Harry W. Conkey	farmer
Bert Fellows	harness maker
William M. Mansfield	farmer
William E. Eaton	farmer
Edwin H. Atwood	painter
Thomas Bowler	farmer
Herbert D. Peeso	farmer
Merrick A. Morse	farmer
Roy C. Aldrich	farmer

Michael F. Austin	farmer
Roy O. Baggs	cattle dealer
George J. Chapin	farmer
Herbert F. Curtis	blacksmith
Harry A. Dennett	farmer
Walter D. Dunbar	carpenter
Eugene F. Flaherty	blacksmith
Daniel F. Shea	machinist
Thomas D. Sullivan	farmer
Andrew J. Sears	farmer

E. F. SHUMWAY,

Clerk of the Board of Selectmen

APPOINTMENTS MADE DURING THE YEAR 1918

Sealer of weights and measures, Charles Austin.

Care of town clock, George B. Jackson.

Public weighers, R. E. Farichild, D. D. Hazen, Frank E. Morris, E. A. Squires, Arthur E. Warner, Robert Chamberlain, J. J. Fairchild, E. A. Fuller, E. L. Schmidt, Harry Aldrich, and C. F. Brown, Bondsville.

Special police, M. F. Collins, Bondsville.

School committee, Wilbur F. Nichols.

Inspectors of meat, H. R. Gould, Henry Baggs, James Moriarty, Henry Paine, William Colgrove and M. F. Austin.

Inspector of barns and cattle, Eugene F. Flaherty.

Special police, D. F. Shumway.

R. R. PEESO	}	Selectmen
E. F. SHUMWAY		of
J. J. GARVEY		Belchertown

Report of Town Clerk

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1918

STATISTICS OF

BIRTHS

January	5	April	5	July	5	October	6
February	1	May	2	August	3	November	3
March	4	June	3	September	8	December	4

RETURN OF BIRTHS

Dr. J. L. Collard	22
Dr. C. H. Giroux	7
E. A. Newell, City Clerk	1
Dr. G. W. Rawson	2
J. F. Sheehan, City Clerk	2
Thos. Smith, Town Clerk	1
Rec. of S. S. Peter and Paul	1
Dr. Newell	1
Dr. Stowell	2
Dr. Frances S. Laczynski	1
Dr. Smith	2
Dr. Leland	1
Dr. W. B. Segur	2
Dr. Haskell	1
John F. Foley, Town Clerk	2
Gertrude Carson, nurse	1

MARRIAGES

Number of intentions	16
Number of marriages	16

First marriages,	males 12,	females 14
Second " "	" 4	" 2
Youngest male	19	19
Oldest " "	57	53

DEATHS

January	3	April	1	July	5	October	4
February	5	May	2	August	3	November	6
March	1	June	0	September	4	December	2

Males 13 Females 21 Unknown 1

Native born 31 Foreign 4

Number of town meetings 3

Number of mortgages 12

DOG LICENSES

Males, 191 at \$ 2	\$ 382.00
Females, 9 at \$ 5	45.00
	\$ 427.00

Paid the above (less fees) to county treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

Report of Overseers of the Poor

The Overseers of the Poor present herewith their report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1918:

The overseers of the Poor sorrowfully record the loss of Mrs. Mildred Shumway, our worthy matron at the town farm whose death occurred Nov. 25, 1918 and wish at this time to express their appreciation of her faithful service there.

In the almshouse there have been two men throughout the year, one until March 11 who was then taken to Tewksbury, one man who left during the summer to care for himself and one man was admitted in November.

Twenty-four people have been supported and aided to a greater or lesser extent as follows:— Twenty-one in their own homes and three in the homes of others. Of this number, four have been wholly supported by the state, and there is one family of eight which comes under the Mothers' Aid Law.

Five of the above mentioned have become of self supporting age during the latter part of the year.

The disbursements which the selectmen and almoners are able to make from the funds, furnish aid to several who would otherwise doubtless be obliged to apply for public charity.

E. R. PEESO	}	<i>Overseers of Poor</i>
J. J. GARVEY		
E. F. SHUMWAY		

Report of the Board of Health

The Board of Health submits the following report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1918:

During the year 1918 we have had a serious epidemic of influenza which at its height was the worst epidemic for many years.

Other contagious diseases have not been as prevalent during 1918 as in some previous years.

Influenza cases were not reported to the Board of Health until Oct. 4, when it became necessary per order of the State Department of Health.

The following contagious diseases have been reported during the year 1918: diphtheria 7, measles 6, tubercle bacilli 2, mumps 2, pneumonia 1, influenza 243 cases, with three deaths. Total 261.

In view of the excitement prevailing at the time of the influenza epidemic, it is well to remark that it may recur this next season, and it is hoped that the town will be liberal in its appropriations for the Health Department, so that the Board of Health may be able to meet all cases of emergency.

It may be well to speak a word of praise for our town physician, Dr. James L. Collard. Out of two hundred and thirty-four (234) cases reported by him to the Board of Health only three resulted fatally.

Respectfully submitted,

E. R. PEESO	}	<i>Board of Health</i>
J. J. GARVEY		
E. F. SHUMWAY		

Report of the Selectmen

Aside from the regular business of the selectmen there has been nothing of any great importance. The board of selectmen organized at the beginning of the year and made all necessary appointments. The appropriation made for oiling the streets in the center of the town was not used on account of the high price and scarcity of material.

It was well that we had a reserve fund as we ran short in some departments.

The selectmen have put in an application for aid under Chapter 155 of the Acts of 1918, an act to provide for the improvement and repair of highways in small towns.

E. R. PEESO	}	<i>Selectmen of Belchertown</i>
J. J. GARVEY		
E. F. SHUMWAY		

Assessors' Report

Valuation of real estate	\$ 446,170.00	
" personal estate	391,435.00	
		\$ 837,605.00

RATE OF TAXATION, \$ 27.60 PER THOUSAND

Tax on real estate	\$ 23,117.89	
" personal estate	6,709.56	
" polls	1,062.00	
Estimated revenue	3,498.87	
Income tax	1,118.88	
		\$ 35,507.20

THE TAX HAS BEEN ASSESSED AS FOLLOWS:

Appropriations	\$ 27,456.80	
State tax	2,640.00	
County tax	3,114.20	
State highway tax	322.80	
Audit	260.09	
Reserve fund	1,330.00	
Overlayings	383.31	
		\$ 35,507.20
Added assessments	\$ 6.00	
Number of acres of land assessed	33,064 $\frac{1}{2}$	
horses	484	
cows	1,236	
sheep	18	
neat cattle other than cows	465	
swine	147	
fowls	7,240	

Number of residents assessed on property	552
non- " " " "	128
Polls only	220

ALMON L. PRATT	}	<i>Assessors of Belchertown</i>
HENRY H. WITT		
FRANK B. ALDEN		

Town Farm Inventory

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Bed linen	\$ 20.00
Table linen	5.00
Towels, etc.	2.00
Curtains	5.00
Bed spreads and blankets	15.00
5 feather beds	10.00
3 straw beds	1.50
6 mattresses	12.00
6 pillows	2.00
5 bed springs	10.00
10 quilts	12.00
Bed room set	5.00
6 iron beds	15.00
15 bureaus	30.00
Stand	.50
12 chairs	8.00
Center table	2.00
Dining table	6.00
Washing machine	5.00
Sewing machine	2.00
Carpet sweeper	2.00
Oil heater	5.00
2 cook stoves	5.00
4 stoves	10.00
Range	35.00
Set dishes	8.00
2 invalid chairs	20.00

2 linoleums	\$ 2.00
Incubator	3.00
Pantry utensils	20.00
10 lamps	2.50
Meat and provisions	50.00
Vinegar	40.00
Canned fruit and vegetable	60.00
3 bbls. apples	9.00
50 bushels potatoes	90.00
Bushel beets	1.00
14 bushel beans	112.00
9 bushels carrots	7.00
20 cords stove wood	150.00
5 cords in yard	25.00
Chains	10.00
Squash	8.00
Hoes and shovels	5.00
50 hens	65.00
Double sled	30.00
Single sled	7.00
Express sleigh	10.00
2 horse wagon	110.00
Buggy	50.00
Dump cart	75.00
Manure spreader	30.00
Pair double harnesses	35.00
Farm harness	10.00
Buggy harness	10.00
Mowing machine	8.00
Horse rake	18.00
Express wagon	20.00
Tedder	5.00
2 plows	25.00
Lanterns, brooms, etc.	5.00
Wheel harrow	15.00
Spring tooth harrow	5.00

Smoothing harrow	\$ 5.00
Cultivator	4.00
Corn sheller	3.00
Express pole	1.00
Saws and axes	3.00
Feed cutter	1.00
Creamery and cans	10.00
Grind stone	2.00
Paris green gun	1.50
Pails and measures	1.50
Lawn mower	.50
Ice tongs	2.00
Cant hook	1.00
Fanning mill	5.00
50 tons silage	225.00
Step ladder	1.50
Corn planter	15.00
2 ladders	2.00
Blankets and robes	25.00
Oat straw	30.00
23 tons hay	575.00
5 " meadow hay	50.00
140 bushels corn	130.00
Grain	20.00
Cow number 1	80.00
" " 2	80.00
" " 3	125.00
" " 4	125.00
" " 5	80.00
" " 6	125.00
" " 7	70.00
" " 8	100.00
" " 9	80.00
" " 10	90.00
" " 11	90.00
" " 12	85.00

2 heifers	\$ 130.00
Bull	100.00
2 two year olds, 2 yearlings, 2 calves	175.00
2 hogs	90.00
2 horses	375.00
Calf (veal)	30.00
2 pigs	15.00
	\$ 4,532.50

Tree Warden's Report

Appropriation	\$ 150.00	
Paid town for wood taken from trees on the common	15.00	
	\$ 165.00	
There was in 1918 taken from this which was spent by the tree warden of 1917	7.00	
		\$ 158.00
Paid for labor		
Arnold Rowe	\$ 10.00	
F. D. Walker	11.25	
Henry Ann	27.65	
D. F. Shumway, labor and team	40.27	
Joseph Lapolice	2.50	
Geo. Claflin	3.00	
E. F. Shumway	6.00	
Geo. Butler	1.80	
Wm. Kimball	1.50	
Harold Kimball	3.00	
E. E. Fisk	18.00	
Tree warden's salary	20.00	
		\$ 144.97
Balance		\$ 13.03

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Tree Warden*

Collector's Report

Balance in collector's hands Jan. 1, 1918 for taxes for 1916	\$ 46.74
The collector has settled with the treasurer for this amount	46.74
Balance in the collector's hands Jan. 1, 1918 for taxes for 1917	\$ 3,981.85
He has collected interest to the amount of	75.21
Total	\$ 4,057.06
He has collected and paid the treasurer including \$ 109.62 abatements	\$ 3,905.07
Balance in collector's hands Jan. 1, 1919 for 1917 tax	\$ 151.99
<i>He has settled with the treasurer for this amount since Jan. 1, 1919</i>	<i>\$ 151.99</i>
The amount committed to your collector as per as- sessors warrant dated Aug. 15, 1918	\$ 30,889.45
Added assessments	6.00
Interest collected from Oct. 15, 1918 to Jan. 1, 1919	30.28
Total	\$ 30,925.73
He has collected and paid the treasurer	25,066.16
Balance in collector's hands	\$ 5,859.57

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Collector*

Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Balance from last year \$ 3,625.57

Rec'd from State Treasurer,

highways \$ 1,978.88

school fund 865.98

superintendent's salary 900.00

corporation tax 234.73

income tax 1,152.00

bank tax 264.79

tuition state wards 475.50

state aid 1,440.00

reimbursement on taxes 197.37

soldiers' exemption 139.69

inspection of animals 75.00

soldier's burial 50.00

mothers' aid 285.31

temporary aid 506.00

industrial school 40.00

transportation of pauper 2.58

\$ 8,607.83

Rec'd for perpetual care cemetery lots,

estate of Alonzo Randall \$ 100.00

N. J. Lane 50.00

G. H. B. Green, Walker lot 50.00

Henry Kelsey 75.00

Oliver C. Shannon 100.00

Abbie S. Walker 50.00

\$ 425.00

Rec'd from D. F. Shumway, tax collector,	
taxes of 1916	\$ 35.31
1917	3,795.45
1918	25,066.16
	\$ 28,896.92

Rec'd from Amherst Nat. bank,	
revenue loans	\$ 22,000.00
interest on deposits	136.31
refund of discount	25.17
	\$ 22,161.48

Rec'd from interest on trust funds,	
Susan M. Bridgman, poor fund	\$ 280.00
" " " cemetery fund	9.09
Calvin " library "	182.02
" " school "	273.03
Longley, music fund	82.50
cemetery funds	214.11
Whiting Street fund	290.00
	\$ 1,330.75

Rec'd for licenses, fines, fees	
liquor	\$ 1,251.00
junk	19.00
butchers	4.00
pool	6.00
auctioneers	4.00
district court, fines	109.50
C. F. Austin, fees	18.08
	\$ 1,411.58

Rec'd of town of Enfield, tuition	\$ 210.00
county treasurer, dog fund	292.13
Rec'd of E. F. Shumway, Enfield road	\$ 37.80
L. A. Shumway, town farm account	1,706.05
D. F. Shumway, wood from park	15.00
	\$ 68,720.11

PAYMENTS

Sixty-five warrants authorized by the selectmen, as shown by the town accountant's report	\$ 65,841.07
Balance Dec. 31, 1918	2,879.04
	\$ 68,720.11

W. F. NICHOLS, *Treasurer*

Report of Town Accountant

CLASSIFICATION OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

RECEIPTS

Taxes

Taxes 1918	\$ 25,035.88
“ 1917	3,720.24
“ 1916	29.28

From State

Corporation tax	234.73
National Bank tax	264.79
Institution Land tax	197.37
Income tax	1,152.00

Licenses and Permits

Liquor	938.25
Junk	19.00
Pool	6.00
Auctioneer	4.00
Butcher	4.00

Fines and Forfeits

Court	109.50
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Grants and Gifts

From State, soldiers' exemptions	139.69
From County, dog licenses	292.13

Tree warden

Sale of wood on park	15.00
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Inspection

Sealer's fees	18.08
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Health	
Inspection of cattle	\$ 75.00
Highways	
Enfield road 1916 contract	1,427.96
" " 1917 "	550.92
Sale of lumber " "	37.80
Charities	
Town farm receipts	1,706.05
State, poor	508.58
State, mothers' aid	285.31
Soldiers' Benefits	
State aid	1,440.00
Soldier's burial	50.00
Education	
Tuition, state wards	475.50
" all other	210.00
Superintendency fund	900.00
Massachusetts school fund	865.98
Calvin Bridgman fund income	273.03
Industrial school	40.00
Interest	
Deposits	13,631
Discount on note	25.17
Taxes 1916	6.03
" 1917	75.21
" 1918	30.28
Cemetery perpetual care funds	223.20
Whiting Street fund income	290.00
S. M. D. Bridgman poor fund income	280.00
Calvin Bridgman library " "	182.02
Longley fund income	82.50
Revenue loans	
Amherst National bank	22,000.00
Agency	
Liquor licenses to state	312.75

Trust	
Perpetual care funds	\$ 425.00
Cash December 31, 1917	3,625.57
Total receipts	\$ 68,720.11

PAYMENTS

Legislative	
Moderator	\$ 5.00
Expenses to hearings	16.20
Selectmen's Department	
Salaries	325.00
Stationery and postage	22.09
Posting warrants	9.00
Administering oaths	5.25
Auto hire	10.00
Accounting Department	
Salary	200.00
Opening safe	20.00
Stationery and postage	4.43
Treasury Department	
Salary	150.00
Postage and express	31.73
Bond	12.88
Safe	20.09
Check protector	10.00
Collecting Department	
Salaries	150.00
Bond, stationery and postage	50.00
Assessing Department	
Salaries	420.00
Transfers	110.10
Stationery and postage	8.02
Certification of notes	
Bureau of statistics	6.00
Law Department	
Counsel fees	28.75

Town Clerk's Department

Salary	\$ 163.00
Recording fees	41.70
Printing, stationery and postage	27.88
Administering oaths	12.50
Record ink	.75

Election and Registration

Salaries, registrars	79.50
“ election officers	70.00
Rent	2.00

Town Hall

Janitor	39.60
Fuel	33.80
Lights	15.38
Janitor's supplies	3.37
Telephone	36.27
Transfer cases	10.53
Repairs	.55

Police Department

Court fees	219.97
Traffic light	25.00
Collection of dog licenses	7.00

Fire Department

Salaries and wages	31.00
Fuel	14.51
Lights	3.75
Care of engine house	8.50
Furniture	49.50
Gasoline	3.99
Repairs	8 29
Auto hire	4.00
Apparatus	1,350.00

Sealing of Weights and Measures

Salary	60.00
Supplies	8.88

Forestry

Tree warden's salary	\$ 20.00
Trimming trees	131.97
Fighting forest fires	250.26
Auto hire	12.75
Forest warden	20.00

Health Department

Vital statistics, births	2.00
" " deaths	4.25
Fumigation and disinfectants	58.95
Inspection of animals	150.00
" " meat	317.25
Quarantine cards	.50
Influenza nursing	48.25

Highway Department

Labor	1,054.99
Teams	1,849.38
Lumber	294.93
Culverts	92.28
Gravel and stone	86.80
Snow and ice removal	454.11
Equipment and repair	43.57
Labor on bridges	35.00
Watering trough	5.00
Street lighting	1,308.43

Enfield highway 1916 contract

Gravel	11.05
Damage to house	10.00

Enfield highway 1917 contract

Labor	36.06
Teams	11.00
Gravel	70.00
Dynamiting	13.53
Roller	54.75

Poor Department—Outside Relief

Relief by city of Holyoke	85.61
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Groceries and provisions	\$ 711.26
Coal and wood	42.50
Board and care	278.23
Medicine and medical attendance	136.65
State institution	27.43
Transportation	26.55
Rent	210.00
Clothing	70.03
Cash (including Bridgman and Whit- ing Street funds)	750.00
Moving expenses	5.00
Poor Department—Almshouse	
Warden's salary	450.00
Other employees	19.00
Groceries and provisions	759.74
Dry goods and clothing	25.00
Buildings	7.00
Sawing wood	15.00
Grain	863.70
Ice	6.80
Tobacco	20.10
Telephone	14.25
Blacksmithing	97.55
Supplies	7.20
Harness repairs	9.65
Fertilizer	58.45
Medical attendance	101.50
Soldiers' Benefits	
State aid	1,849.00
Soldiers' burials	84.00
School Department	
School committee salaries	64.50
Superintendent's salary	1,269.00
Truant officer	21.10
Stationery, printing and postage	16.93
Telephone	9.87

Traveling expenses	\$ 12.82
School census 1917	50.00
“ “ 1918	5.00
Teachers' salaries	7,101.78
Text books	810.75
Supplies	297.54
Tuition	196.53
Transportation	1,263.60
Janitors' services	590.50
Fuel	1,170.20
Janitors' supplies	21.61
Repairs	386.33
Water rent	12.50
Furnishings	30.50
Graduations	2.24
All other	15.50
Unclassified	
Damages to automobiles	25.88
Memorial day	50.00
Care of town clock	48.00
Town reports	95.75
Insurance	331.14
Rent of G. A. R. Hall	21.00
Honor Roll	75.00
Flag	11.25
Soldiers' send-off	20.00
Town pump	2.50
Field driving	3.00
Cemetery Department	
Commissioners' salaries	10.50
Labor	172.00
Fertilizer	2.70
Fence	12.68
Interest	
Discount on loans	787.58

Municipal Indebtedness

Revenue loans	\$ 26,000.00
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Agency, Trust and Investment

One-fourth liquor licenses to state	312.75
Cemetery perpetual care funds	425.00
State tax	2,640.00
County tax	3,114.20
State highway tax	322.80
Audit of accounts	260.09
Care of funded cemetery lots	209.50

Transfers

Calvin Bridgman fund to library	171.80
S. " " " "	50.00
Dog licenses " "	292.13
Cash December 31, 1918	2,879.04

Total	\$ 68,720.11
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RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS

To Highways	\$ 298.00
Town clerk	110.83
Insurance	191.54
Interest	187.58
Unclassified	83.38
Sealer of W. & M.	8.88
State aid	133.00
Tree warden	1.97
Health	156.20
Forest fires	158.01
Total	\$ 1,329.39

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1918

ASSETS

Cash

General	\$ 2,211.69
Trust fund	667.35
	\$ 2,879.04

Accounts Receivable

Taxes

Levy of 1917	\$ 151.99	
Levy of 1918	5,859.57	
	<u> </u>	\$ 6,011.56
A. Bridgman		1,282.50

Departmental Bills

Enfield highway appropriation	\$ 2,000.00	
C. V. R. R., forest fires	143.95	
B. & M. R. R., forest fires	26.48	
State poor	758.49	
State mothers' aid	142.95	
State aid	1,849.00	
State, soldiers' burials	84.00	
State 15% reserve on Enfield highway	515.42	
	<u> </u>	5,520.29

Total

\$ 15,693.39

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Cash and securities	\$ 21,214.69	
	<u> </u>	
Total	\$ 21,214.69	

LIABILITIES

Temporary Loans

Anticipation of revenue	\$ 4,000.00	
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Overlaying Balances

Levy of 1917	\$ 9.27	
Levy of 1918	383.30	
	<u> </u>	\$ 392.58
Overlaying reserve		385.61

Appropriation Balances

Enfield highway 1917 contract	\$ 1,889.42	
" " 1916 "	592.66	
Reserve fund	.61	
	<u> </u>	\$ 2,482.69

Trust Fund Balances

Susan Bridgman poor fund income	\$ 271.44	
Calvin " library fund income	182.02	
Whiting Street fund income	187.67	
Longley music fund income	26.22	
		\$ 667.35

Departmental Revenue	3,520.29
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Surplus Revenue

1917 and prior	\$ 1,145.39	
1918	3,099.48	
		4,244.87

Total	\$ 15,693.39
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TRUST ACCOUNTS

G. D. Longley music fund	\$ 2,208.12
Calvin Bridgman library fund	4,000.00
" " high school fund	6,000.00
Susan " poor fund	3,500.00
Susan " cemetery fund	200.00
Perpetual care funds	5,306.57
Total	\$ 21,214.69

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Appropriation	Additions and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Legislative	\$ 50.00		\$ 21.20	\$ 28.80
Selectmen	425.00		371.34	53.66
Town accountant	225.00		224.43	.57
Treasurer	225.00		224.70	.30
Clerk	135.00	110.83	245.83	
Certification	10.00		6.00	4.00
Tax collector	200.00		200.00	
Assessors	450.00		439.12	10.88
Law	100.00		28.75	71.25
Election and registration	225.00		151.50	73.50
Town hall	150.00		139.50	10.50
Police	200.00	109.50	251.97	57.53
Fire	100.00		74.04	25.96
Tree warden	150.00	1.97	151.97	
Moth suppression	50.00			50.00
Forest fires	125.00	158.01	283.01	
Health	350.00	231.20	581.20	
Town clock	48.00		48.00	
Insurance	140.00	191.54	331.14	.40
G. A. R. rent	39.00		21.00	18.00
Sealer of W. & M.	60.00	8.88	68.88	
Unclassified	150.00	83.38	233.88	
Highways	3,500.00	298.00	3,796.06	1.94
Replanking bridge	450.00		120.00	330.00
Street lights	1,325.00		1,308.43	16.57
Poor	3,000.00	2,499.94	4,311.59	1,188.35
Schools	11,100.00	2,820.79	13,348.80	571.99
Memorial day	50.00		50.00	
Interest	600.00	187.58	787.58	
Cemeteries	200.00		197.88	2.12
State aid	1,800.00	133.00	1,933.00	
Fire truck	1,350.00		1,350.00	
Oiling streets	100.00			100.00
Furniture at engine house	49.50		49.50	

W. E. SHAW, *Town Accountant*

Warden's Report

Received by Warden, January 1918 to January 1919

Rec'd for milk	\$ 1,749.51
use of telephone	.70
calves	55.00
hay	78.90
lumber	3.00
apples	29.70
eggs	15.18
stove wood	26.00
use of lockup	1.50
beans	64.69
stock service	1.50
labor with team	52.00
two cows	80.00
potatoes	59.00
vegetables	10.39
seed corn	2.00
bull	80.00
	\$ 2,309.07
Warden has overpaid treasurer	.15
	\$ 2,309.22
Bills due the town farm	\$ 103.00

Paid out by Warden, January 1918 to January 1919

Paid William Prantis, labor	\$ 3.00
Burpee, seed	5.46
James Garvey, pigs	6.00

Paid A. B. Howard, plants	\$.80
E. F. Shumway, bull	70.00
A. M. Baggs, fish	1.50
Strawberries	.56
Fish, at Holyoke	.50
R. E. Fairchild, groceries	10.40
E. S. Ward, paper, paint, labor	54.86
Fred Upham, thrashing	7.00
Mr. Volley, labor	.67
Miss Lincoln, baking powder	2.00
Clinton Hamilton, labor on silo	7.00
E. S. Ward, labor on silo	6.14
Geo. Weston, labor	14.00
Mr. Combs, painting	12.00
2 vinegar barrels	6.00
Mr. Weston, labor	32.00
Mrs. Pierce, washing	6.00
W. A. Sauer, cow	150.00
F. Broadley, grain	27.00
Fred Michel, grain at Holyoke	75.65
Charles Clarke, barbering	21.15
Mr. Guillette, fish and meat	83.48
Paid out by warden	\$ 603.17
Paid treasurer	\$ 1,706.05
Total expenditures	\$ 2,309.22

20 hearse calls

3 inmates

3 tramps lodged and fed

LOUIS SHUMWAY, *Warden*

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

Sealing 4 platform scales over 5,000 pounds	\$ 4.00
“ 15 “ “ under “ “	7.50
“ 4 computing scales	.12
“ 26 other scales	.78
“ 119 weights	3.57
“ 17 liquid measures	.51
“ 8 oil pumps	1.05
“ 3 molasses pumps	.15
“ 2 linear measures	.06
Total fees	\$ 17.74
Amount due town Jan. 1, 1918	.33
Total due town	\$ 18.07
Paid treasurer	\$ 18.08
Overpaid treasurer	.01

Respectfully submitted

CHARLES F. AUSTIN, *Sealer*

Report of Appropriations Committee

The committee on appropriations recommend as follows:

For Legislative expenses	\$ 50.00
Selectmen	425.00
Treasurer	265.00
Accountant	225.00
Clerk	210.00
Certification of notes	10.00
Tax collector	200.00
Assessors	450.00
Law	100.00
Election and Registration	175.00
Town hall	150.00
Police	200.00
Fire	100.00
Forest fires	200.00
Tree warden	150.00
Moth suppression	50.00
Health	500.00
Town clock	48.00
Insurance	200.00
Sealer of weights & measures	70.00
Unclassified	175.00
Highways	2,500.00
Street lights	1,325.00
Poor	3,000.00
Schools	13,400.00
Memorial day	75.00
Interest	700.00
Cemeteries	100.00
State aid	1,800.00
Reserve fund	1,500.00
Total	\$ 28,353.00

E. R. PEESO
W. F. NICHOLS
J. A. PEESO

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*Appropriations
Committee*

Annual Report

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION, MARCH 1918—1919

School Committee

WILBUR F. NICHOLS	Term expires, Sept. 1919
E. CLIFTON WITT	“ “ “ 1920
EVERETT GEER	“ “ “ 1921

Superintendent

ALVAN R. LEWIS	Term expires, Sept. 1, 1921
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Attendance Officer

D. F. SHUMWAY	Term expires, June 30, 1919
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School Physician

JAMES L. COLLARD, M. D.	Term expires, Sept. 1, 1919
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Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Belchertown,
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit for your consideration my eleventh annual report which is the fifteenth in this series.

The per cent of attendance for the school year ending June 30, 1918 was 90. The number of cases of tardiness was alarmingly large and is increasing. The pupils are required to furnish the teachers with notes from their parents giving the reason for being late. For this purpose blank slips are furnished the parents. It is hoped that the parents will co-operate with the teachers in their efforts in correcting this injurious habit of *not* being on time.

TEACHERS

Miss Edith Wheeler and Miss Hazel Gibbs, assistants in the high school, resigned in June. Miss Alice Coon, a graduate of Smith, and Miss Josepha Perry, a graduate of Mt. Holyoke, were elected to fill the vacancies; Miss Lillian Austin resigned as teacher of the Center Grammar and Miss Genenia Kimball was elected to the position; Miss Theresa Sullivan, teacher in the Center Intermediate, resigned and Miss Mildred Morse was transferred from Washington to the Intermediate; and Miss Violet Page, a teacher of experience, was placed in charge of the Washington. Miss Ruth Trask resigned as teacher of Liberty to accept a position in Springfield, and Miss Emie Hopkins, a graduate of Springfield Training school, was placed in charge of Liberty.

The Federal school was closed at the opening of the school year and the pupils are attending the center schools; and

Lake Vale was closed and the pupils are transported to the Union school. All these teachers resigned to accept larger salaries.

It is hoped that the law fixing a minimum salary, to a copy of which I call your attention, will enable Belchertown to retain good teachers for a longer period.

[CHAP. 197.]

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A MINIMUM SALARY FOR CERTAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

On and after the first day of January, nineteen hundred and nineteen, the compensation of every teacher employed in any public day school in the commonwealth, except persons in training and those employed as temporary substitutes, shall be at the rate of not less than five hundred and fifty dollars for the school year in that school: *provided, however*, that this act shall not apply to any town whose taxable valuation does not exceed one million dollars. [*Approved May 10, 1918.*]

SCHOOLS

Our schools have been poorly equipped for carrying on the work. School equipment will wear out and it costs to replace it. Owing to larger appropriation made at the last town meeting it was possible to supply all the schools with a much larger quantity of books than usual and one good map of the U. S. for each room; drinking fountains and ventilators for the center and Franklin schools. More new books, maps and globes are needed.

The teachers are interested and some are enthusiastic in their work. Good progress has been made in spite of obstacles to overcome which are not met with by teachers in larger and wealthier towns.

Vocational training is given the pupils in nearly all the cities and towns in the state. I recommend that a course in

gardening be arranged for the boys and a course in domestic science for the girls. This work has been carried on to some extent by the teachers; but to secure satisfactory results it is necessary to provide a regular course and teachers who have been trained for this special work.

The pupils have been doing their bit in helping to carry on the war which we trust has ended. 278 pupils are buying War Saving Stamps. Many of the boys and girls have done Red Cross work, especially the pupils of the Franklin schools.

In closing I call your attention to the following extract from the inaugural address of Governor Coolidge.

"Next to maintaining ordered liberty comes the public duty of providing education. Other localities surpass ours in the possession of natural resources. Our strength lies in the skill, energy, and intelligence of our citizens. Knowing more, they accomplish more. If this mental supremacy should pass from us we could no longer compete with regions more naturally favored. Looking at the material and practical side of the problem it is clear that education is a necessary matter of business. Trade, vocational, and technical schools must be established, encouraged, and maintained. These courses of instruction must be pursued with great thoroughness. This has come to be well understood by all students of our conditions and needs. A democracy requires equal opportunity of training for all avenues of life. Profession and artisan, doctor and mechanic, are alike entitled to the solicitous care of the State in providing for their education.

"But this effort for a practical education will be in vain if we look at the practical side alone. Education must teach more than the ability to earn a livelihood,—it must teach the art of living. It is less important to teach what to think than how to think. The end sought should be broad and liberal rather than narrow and technical. The ideals of the classics, the humanities, must not be neglected. After all, it is only the ideal that is practical."

I take this opportunity to express to you my appreciation

of your continued confidence and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVAN R. LEWIS

Report of High School Principal

Superintendent A. R. Lewis,

Dear Sir:—

The first and third paragraphs of my last year's report need only be re-read with increased emphasis on enforced vacations to cover the present situation.

It is a pleasure to commend the attitude of the assistant teachers toward their work.

Very truly yours,

THOMAS ALLEN

Report of Attendance Officer

To the School Committee:-

I have received quite a number of summonses from teachers to absentees from school. In most cases I have seen that they have attended school, but there has been so much sickness I have not enforced the law when I thought it not best.

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Attendance Officer*

School Calendar

All the schools will open September 2, 1919, and will close December 19, 1919. They will re-open December 29, 1919 and will continue until June 25, 1920 with an intermission of one week at the expiration of every eight weeks.

Teachers January 1, 1919

High School	Thomas Allen
“ “ Asst.	Alice Coon
“ “ “	Josepha Perry
Center Gram.	Genenia Kimball
“ Int.	Mildred Morse
“ Prim.	Ruby Knight
Cold Spring	Bridget Fitzgerald
Franklin Gram.	Nellie Shea
“ Int.	Sadie Demarest
“ Prim.	Lulu Austin
Liberty	Emie Hopkins
Washington	Violet Page
Rockrimmon	Emma Stadler
Blue Meadow	Irene Orlando
Union	Edith Towne
Music	(Mrs.) Florence Clough

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE

Total number	463
Number enrolled	425
Average membership	411
Average attendance	370
Number between 5 and 7 years	62
" " 7 " 14 "	224
" " 14 " 16 "	110
" above 16 years	29
Per cent of attendance	90

SCHOOL STATISTICS

For year ending June 30, 1918

SCHOOLS	Whole Number	No. enrolled	No. between 5 and 7	No. between 7 and 14	No. between 14 and 16	No. over 16	Av. Membership	Av. Attendance
High.	55	54	0	6	20	28	50	46
Center Grammar.	34	34	0	24	10	0	34	30
Center Intermediate.	46	42	0	42	0	0	46	35
Center Primary.	47	45	17	28	0	0	41	35
Cold Spring.	28	23	5	16	2	0	18	18
Franklin Grammar.	28	26	0	0	25	1	26	24
Franklin Intermediate.	46	42	0	1	41	0	42	41
Franklin Primary	26	23	19	4	0	0	23	22
Liberty.	29	29	2	26	1	0	22	20
Washington.	21	21	5	15	1	0	20	18
Rock Rimmon.	18	14	7	7	0	0	17	15
Chestnut Hill								
Holyoke								
Federal	17	16	0	14	2	0	17	16
Lake Vale.	21	17	0	17	0	0	14	14
Union.	26	19	6	13	0	0	21	19
West Hill.	7	7	0	1	6	0	7	7
East Hill.								
Laurel.								
Blue Meadow	14	13	1	10	2	0	13	10

SCHOOL RESOURCES

Appropriation Mar. 1918	\$ 11,100.00
From state school fund	865.98
Tuition from Enfield	210.00
Superintendency fund	900.00
State ward's tuition	475.50
Bridgman fund	273.03
Rebate from state for tuition	40.00
Longley fund for music in high school	56.28
	\$ 13,920.79

EXPENDITURES

School committee's salaries	\$ 64.50
Superintendent's salary	1,269.00
Truant officer	21.10
Stationery, printing and postage	16.93
Telephone	9.87
Traveling expenses	12.82
School census, 1917	50.00
" " 1918	5.00
Teachers' salaries	*7,101.78
Text and reference books	810.75
Paper	297.54
Tuition	196.53
Transportation	1,263.60
Janitors	590.50
Fuel	1,170.20
Janitors' supplies	21.61
Repairs	386.33
Furnishings	30.50
Diplomas	2.24
Water	12.50
Miscellaneous	15.50
Unexpended balance	571.99
	\$ 13,920.79

*This amount includes \$ 56.58 for music in the High school,

GRADUATING EXERCISES

Belchertown High School

June 26

1918

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

8 P. M.

Class Motto

Forward

Class Flower

Ox-eye Daisy

Class Colors

Orange and Black

Graduates

CATHERINE LUCILLE AUSTIN

WILLIAM EUSTACE BRIDGMAN

HAROLD SANBORN DAVIS

LOUISE EMMA DAVIS

WILLIAM FRANCIS KIMBALL

WILLIAM EDGAR PARKER

ADELBERT CAPES POTTER

SUSIE ELOISE SQUIRES

Invocation	Program	Oration The Supreme Law	WILLIAM E. PARKER	<i>Bullard</i>
	REV. C. G. BURNHAM	Oration The Farmers' Outlook	HAROLD S. DAVIS	
Holy Art Thou		The Elfhorns	CHORUS	<i>Handel</i>
	CHORUS	Class Prophecy	ADELBERT C. POTTER	
Salutatory Essay	The Birthright of the American	Essay Valedictory	Circumstances vs. Man	<i>Rossini</i>
Oration Gates and Kingdoms	SUSIE E. SQUIRES		LOUISE E. DAVIS	
The New American Hymn	WILLIAM F. KIMBALL	Dance Song	GIRLS' CHORUS	<i>Bergé</i>
Oration Make First	CHORUS	Presentation of Diplomas	EVERETT C. GEER	
Essay The Third Reign of Terror	WILLIAM E. BRIDGMAN	True to the Flag	CHORUS	<i>Offenbach</i>
O'er the Waters Gliding	CATHERINE L. AUSTIN	Benediction	REV. J. H. CHANDLER	
	CHORUS	Star Spangled Banner		

Town Warrant.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the town hall in said Belchertown on Monday, the third day of February in the year A. D. 1919 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of the town officers and act thereon.

ART. 3. To choose the following named officers: a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, five Constables and a Tax Collector, all for one year; one School Committee for three years, one Assessor for three years, one Assessor for two years to fill vacancy of F. B. Alden resigned, and one Burial Ground Commissioner for three years; also to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town.

ART. 4. To choose the following named officers by nomination: One Tree Warden, three Fence Viewers, eight Measurers of Wood, eight Surveyors of Lumber, six Field Drivers, two Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Funds, all for one year, and

one trustee for the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

ART. 5. To see if the town will instruct the Superintendent of Streets to cause the streets abutting on the Park, and also South Main Street as far as the junction of the Ware and Palmer roads to be oiled once each year, the town to pay one-half the expense hereof; (the balance to be paid by abutting property owners) and to raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 6. To see if the town will vote to give to The Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog fund due the town after damages are paid.

ART. 7. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum not to exceed one thousand five hundred and forty-four dollars to establish a 1919 Reserve Fund as provided by Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1913.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses of the current financial year.

ART. 9. To see if the town will grant permission to Harold F. Peck to remove the fence on the north side of Mount Hope Cemetery to the north line with Mrs. E. S. Bridgman thus completing the new line of lots recently added by Mrs. E. S. Bridgman. The permission to be granted, only on condition that he shall properly lay out the lots and avenues and shall keep the avenues mowed and in good condition until such time as the added plot shall be transferred to the town and in the meantime shall sell lots at a price not to exceed thirty-five dollars.

ART. 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a larger steam boiler for the high school building.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to buy a new furnace for the Franklin school and to raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 12. To see if the town will vote to put running water into the Franklin school and to raise and appropriate

money for the same.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to employ a district nurse, whose duty it will be to superintend the health of the community, and act thereon.

ART. 14. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 336 of Chapter 11 of the revised laws of Massachusetts relative to the election of a Highway Surveyor, the same to take effect February 2, 1920.

ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to pay James A. Isaac the sum of \$7.35; Michael Cavanaugh, \$15.00; and Thomas Cody, \$15.00: for alleged damages to their automobiles on the highways and raise and appropriate money for the same or take any other action the town may deem best.

ART. 16. To see if the town will vote to buy a safe for the tax collector and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty dollars for Hampshire County Farm Bureau.

ART. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with an allotment from the Massachusetts Highway Commission under the provisions of Chapter 155 of the Acts of 1918.

ART. 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 2,000.00 providing the Massachusetts Highway Commission will allot \$ 4,000.00, the money to be expended on the Belchertown-Bondsville road commencing near the house of Mr. Wludyka and working towards the Milk Station, the work to be done under the supervision of the Massachusetts Highway Commission; agreeable to a petition of Peter Hanifin and several others.

ART. 20. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen to borrow a sum not to exceed \$ 2,000.00 for the purpose of constructing highway in anticipation of reimbursement by the Commonwealth, such reimbursement first to have been agreed upon with the Massachu-

setts Highway Commission, and to issue a note or notes therefor for a period not to exceed one year, said loan or loans to be paid for from such reimbursement in accordance with Section 4, Chapter 719 of the Acts of 1913.

ART. 21. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1st 1919, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 28,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

ART. 22. To see if the town will vote to choose a committee of three to be known as the committee on appropriations who shall carefully investigate and report at the next annual meeting the amounts needed in the several departments to be expended the ensuing year and act thereon.

ART. 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Polls to be opened at 9.30 o'clock A. M. and may be closed at three o'clock P. M. unless otherwise ordered by vote of the town.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on Community League hall, one at Dwight and one at Keyes' hotel, seven days before the time of holding aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands, this the seventeenth day of January, A. D. 1919.

H. R. PEESO	}	<i>Selectmen of Belchertown</i>
E. F. SHUMWAY		
J. J. GARVEY		

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Minutes of Town Meeting

February 3, 1919

DOINGS ON THE WARRANT

Meeting called to order at 10 o'clock a. m. by A. Bridgman, Town Clerk, who read the warrant and then called for action under article 1st.

ART. 1

Moderator, George H. B. Green.

Prayer was offered by Rev. H. P. Rankin.

ART. 2

Voted to waive the reading of all reports and they were accepted in their regular order.

ART. 4

Ballot clerks, tellers and counters sworn. Ballots delivered to ballot clerks and receipt taken. Keys to ballot box given to M. S. Barton, constable. Ballot box found empty. Polls opened at ten-thirty o'clock.

Ballot clerks, E. E. Sargent and M. E. Williams.

Ballot checker, Harry E. Sessions. Ballot box, H. H. Ward.

Gate Keepers, James Moriarty and Addison Kidder.

Counters, F. D. Walker and F. F. Dewey.

“ Roy G. Shaw and Roy C. Aldrich.

Tree Warden, Dwight F. Shumway.

8 measurers of wood, E. R. Pceso, E. C. Witt, James A. Pceso, E. A. Fuller, R. E. Fairchild, E. F. Flaherty, W. M. Goodell and D. D. Hazen.

8 surveyors of lumber, H. S. Pratt, E. R. Pceso, H. W.

Conkey, E. F. Shumway, F. M. Fuller, H. M. Lamson, E. F. Flaherty, James A. Peeso.

2 almoners of Whiting Street and Mrs. S. M. D. Bridgman funds, Mrs. H. F. Curtis and Mrs. George Witt.

1 trustee Calvin Bridgman fund for 3 years, Dr. H. W. Eliot.

3 fence viewers and 6 field drivers to be appointed by the Selectmen.

ART. 5

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 100.00 in accordance with the article in the warrant provided the abutters would pay one-half the expense.

ART. 6

Voted to give to the Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog fund in accordance with the article in the warrant.

ART. 7

Voted to appropriate one thousand five hundred and forty-four dollars, in accordance with the article in the warrant.

ART. 8

Voted to suspend action and take up article 18th.

ART. 18

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 3,500.00 in accordance with the article as inserted in the warrant and then voted to take up article 8th.

ART. 8

Voted to raise and appropriate the amounts recommended by the appropriation committee; following are the amounts :

Legislative expenses,	\$ 50.00
Selectmen,	425.00
Treasurer,	265.00
Accountant,	225.00
Town clerk,	210.00
Certification of notes,	10.00
Tax collector,	200.00

Assessors,	\$ 450.00
Law,	100.00
Election and registration,	175.00
Town hall,	150.00
Police plus the receipts,	200.00
Fire,	100.00
Forest fires plus the receipts,	200.00
Tree warden,	150.00
Moth suppression,	50.00
Health plus receipts,	500.00
Town clock,	48.00
Insurance,	200.00
Sealer of weights and measures plus receipts,	70.00
Unclassified,	175.00
Highways (bridges, snow, etc.)	2,500.00
Street lights,	1,325.00
Poor plus receipts,	3,000.00
Schools plus receipts,	13,400.00
Memorial day,	75.00
Interest plus receipts,	700.00
Cemeteries,	100.00
State aid,	1,800.00
Reserve fund,	1,500.00
Total,	<u>\$ 28,353.00</u>

At 12.45 o'clock voted to adjourn for ten minutes that the counters might commence to count, and 150 ballots were taken from the box. Voted to take up article 19.

ART. 19

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 2,000.00 in accordance with the article in the warrant and that they commence at or near the bridge on depot street.

ART. 9

Voted to grant Harold F. Peck in accordance with the article in the warrant providing it can be done legally.

ART. 10

Voted that the chair appoint a committee of 3 to investigate and report at the November meeting and the following were appointed: Wilbur F. Nichols, A. F. Bardwell and Roswell Allen.

ART. 11

Voted that the same committee be appointed as in art. 10, and that the names of H. H. Barrett and Daniel M. Shea be added to that committee.

At 3.30 o'clock voted to keep the polls open until 4 p. m.

ART. 12

Voted to raise the sum of \$ 400.00 in accordance with the article in the warrant to put running water into the Franklin school.

ART. 13

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 1,000.00 to employ a district nurse in accordance with the article in the warrant.

ART. 14

Voted to accept in accordance with the article in the warrant in regard to the election of a highway surveyor.

ART. 15

Voted to pay in accordance with the article in the warrant.

ART. 16

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 3.00 to buy a safe for the tax collector.

ART. 17

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 50.00 for Hampshire County Farm Bureau.

ART. 20

Voted to authorize in accordance with the article in the warrant.

ART. 21

Voted to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the

selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning Jan. 1, 1919, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$28,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year. And any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

ART. 22

Voted to choose a committee of 3 and the following were appointed by the chair: chairman of selectmen, chairman of school committee, and supt. of streets, in accordance with the article in the warrant known as the committee on appropriation.

ART. 23

Voted the use of room over the engine house to the Woman's Relief Corps.

At 6.30 o'clock p. m., the counting of the ballots being completed, the clerk announced as follows:

Whole number of votes cast, males 304, females 0.

TOWN CLERK

Arthur Bridgman, 188 votes, blanks 116

SELECTMEN

Michael P. Bowler,	132 votes,	Jacob V. Cook,	84 votes
John J. Garvey,	152 votes,	Walter D. E. Morse,	168 "
Edward R. Peeso,	137 votes,	Edwin F. Shumway,	119 "
blanks, 121			

TREASURER

Wilbur F. Nichols, 250 votes, blanks 54

ASSESSOR for 3 years

Frank E. Austin,	114 votes,	Almon S. Pratt,	177 votes,
blanks 13			

ASSESSOR for 2 years

Eugene F. Flaherty,	123 votes	Clayton R. Green,	156 votes,
blanks 25			

TAX COLLECTOR

Dwight F. Shumway,	199 votes,	William J. Sullivan,	93 votes,
blanks 12			

SCHOOL COMMITTEE 3 years

Wilbur F. Nichols, 193 votes, blanks 111

CONSTABLES

Michael F. Austin, 182 votes,	Myron S. Barton, 189 votes,
Harry Dennet, 88 votes,	Eugene F. Flaherty, 142 votes,
Henry M. Lamson, 70 votes,	James A. Peeso, 152 votes,
Dwight F. Shumway, 142 votes,	Geo. E. Williams, 147 votes,
Lewis R. Young, 55 votes,	blanks 343

BURIAL GROUND COMMISSIONER

E. A. Rudd Fairchild, 113 votes, Fred L. Nooney, 148 votes,
blanks 44

LIQUOR LICENSE

Yes, 156 votes, No, 134 votes, blanks 14

Meeting dissolved at 7 o'clock.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

Special Town Meeting

April 14, 1919

DOINGS ON THE WARRANT

Meeting called to order at 2 o'clock p. m. by A. Bridgman town clerk who read the warrant and then called for action under article 1st.

ART. 1

Moderator, G. H. B. Green.

ART. 2

Voted to rescind the vote passed at the annual meeting February 3.

ART. 3

Voted to indefinitely postpone action.

ART. 4

Voted at 3.15 o'clock to adjourn.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

Report of Town Clerk

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1919

STATISTICS OF

BIRTHS

January	5	April	2	July	2	October	8
February	1	May	9	August	0	November	3
March	3	June	2	September	1	December	2

RETURN OF BIRTHS

Dr. J. L. Collard	16
J. Stowell	1
Chas. Giroux	10
C. V. Lawlor	1
W. B. Segur	5
S. O. Miller	2
A. A. Starbuck	1
J. P. Schneider	1
City Clerk, John F. Sheehan	1

MARRIAGES

Number of intentions	16
Number of marriages	16
First marriages, males 14, females	15
Second " " 1, "	1
Third " " 1, "	0

DEATHS

January	8	April	6	July	4	October	7
February	1	May	1	August	3	November	6
March	2	June	2	September	1	December	0

Males 20	Females 21
Native born 39	Foreign 2
Number of Town meetings	2
Number of mortgages	9

DOG LICENSES

Males, 194 at \$2.00	\$ 388.00	
Females, 9 at \$5.00	45.00	
		\$ 433.00

Paid the above (less fees) to County Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

Assessors' Report

Valuation of real estate	\$ 849,065	
" personal estate	288,225	
		<u>\$ 1,137,290</u>

RATE OF TAXATION, \$ 31 PER THOUSAND

Tax on real estate	\$ 26,321.54	
" personal estate	8,935.25	
" polls	1,068.00	
Estimated revenue	3,139.02	
		<u>\$ 39,463.81</u>

THE TAX HAS BEEN ASSESSED AS FOLLOWS:

Appropriations	\$ 31,953.35	
State tax	2,640.00	
County tax	2,489.70	
State highway tax	322.80	
Reserve fund	1,544.00	
Overlays	355.56	
Soldiers' memorial	158.40	
		<u>\$ 39,463.81</u>
Added assessments	\$ 83.30	
Number of acres of land assessed	33,064½	
horses	477	
cows	1,124	
sheep	6	
neat cattle other than cows	440	
swine	212	
fowls	7,120	
Number of residents assessed on property	432	
non- " " "	150	
Polls only	161	

HENRY H. WITT
ALMON L. PRATT
C. R. GREEN

Assessors of Belchertown

Tree Warden's Report

Appropriation		\$ 150.00
Paid out for labor		
Henry Ann	\$ 2.50	
Joseph Lapolice	12.60	
Geo. Claflin	15.80	
Everett Snow	3.00	
Filing saws	1.00	
D. F. Shumway, labor and team	23.50	
Tree warden's salary	20.00	
		\$ 78.40
Balance		\$ 71.60

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Tree Warden*

Collector's Report

Balance in collector's hands, Jan. 1, 1919, for taxes for 1918	\$ 5,859.57
Added assessments	18.00
He has collected interest to the amount of	<u>171.45</u>
Total	\$ 6,049.02
He has collected and paid the treasurer including \$ 204.04 abatements	\$ 6,049.02
The amount committed to your collector as per as- sessors' warrant dated Sept. 3, 1919	\$ 36,324.79
Added assessments	83.30
Interest collected from Oct. 15, 1919 to Jan. 1, 1920	<u>54.50</u>
Total	\$ 36,462.59
He has collected and paid the treasurer	<u>30,358.66</u>
Balance in collector's hands,	\$ 6,103.93

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Collector*

Report of Town Accountant

CLASSIFICATION OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

RECEIPTS

General Revenue

Taxes 1917	\$ 151.99
“ 1918	5,673.53
“ 1919	30,304.16
Income tax 1917	96.00
“ “ 1918	168.00
“ “ 1919 (general)	240.00
“ “ 1919 (schools)	400.00
Corporation tax—public service	181.91
“ “ —business	794.19
National bank tax	295.48
Liquor licenses	335.12
Junk licenses	9.00
Pool licenses	6.00
Milk licenses	1.00
Butchers' licenses	5.00
Circus license	5.00
Auctioneers' licenses	2.00
Massachusetts school fund	1,037.07
Highways, Chapter 155 Acts of 1918, from state	2,493.30
State school, land tax	200.89
Soldiers' exemptions	147.41
Dog licenses	269.37

Industrial school	\$ 6.95
State superintendency fund	900.00
Court fines	160.00
Commercial Revenue	
Town hall, use of telephone	.20
Sealer's fees	19.83
Fighting forest fires, C. V. R. R., 1918	143.95
Forest warden equipment refund from state	18.00
Nurse's fees	12.55
Inspection of cattle, from state	75.00
Sale of tile and dynamite	22.00
Enfield highway construction	5,057.92
Town farm, January 1 to March 31	443.63
Town farm, April 1 to December 31	2,566.02
Town farm, sale of estate of pauper	130.00
Sale of pauper's clothing	7.89
Relief from city of Springfield	13.07
state, temporary aid	256.69
state, sick poor	121.62
state, mothers' aid	260.58
State aid state aid	1,843.00
Soldiers' burials	100.00
Tuition of state wards	742.50
Tuition from town of Enfield	250.25
Sale of apples on school lot	4.00
Bounties refunded by county	15.00
Sale of cemetery lot	10.00
Interest	
Deposits	112.35
Discount on note	48.22
Cemetery perpetual care funds	261.81
Susan Bridgman poor fund	280.00
Whiting Street fund	290.00
Bridgman high school fund	288.37
Bridgman library fund	192.25

Longley music fund	\$ 85.00	
Interest on taxes of 1917	15.83	
Interest on taxes of 1918	171.45	
Interest on taxes of 1919	54.50	
Revenue loans	18,000.00	
Agency, Trust and Investment		
Liquor licenses for state	111.73	
Oiling streets	108.00	
Welcome Home committee	40.78	
Cemetery perpetual care bequests	325.00	
Refund on highway bill	4.68	
Cash December 31, 1918	2,879.04	
Total		\$ 79,266.08

EXPENDITURES

General Government

Legislative

Moderator	\$ 5.00	
Expenses to hearings	6.83	\$ 11.83

Selectmen

Salaries	225.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	8.38	
Car fare and automobile hire	77.35	
Typewriting warrants	10.00	
Posting warrants	15.50	336.23

Treasurer

Salary	150.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	36.21	
Bond	25.00	
Protectograph	39.00	250.21

Clerk

Salary	120.00	
Recording fees	9.85	

Stationery, printing and postage	\$ 13.27	
Administering oaths	9.75	\$ 152.87
Accountant		
Salary	200.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	21.97	221.97
Tax collector		
Salary	150.00	
Bond, printing and postage	50.00	200.00
Assessors		
Salaries	415.00	
Register transfers	13.05	
Field books	2.55	430.60
Certification of notes	6.00	6.00
Law		
Counsel fees	8.40	8.40
Election and Registration		
Election officers	75.00	
Registrars	102.00	
Rent	2.00	179.00
Town Hall		
Janitor	49.75	
Fuel	48.65	
Lights	26.58	
Janitor's supplies	2.60	
Repairs	8.65	
Telephone	45.79	182.02
Protection of Persons and Property		
Police		
Court fees	118.89	
Traffic light	24.00	

Constables	\$ 30.00	\$ 172.89
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Fire Department

Salaries 1918	43.00	
Apparatus	2.06	
Soda and acid	11.31	
Fuel	4.78	
Light	14.50	
Repairs	106.07	181.72

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Salary	60.00	
Equipment	8.13	68.13

Forestry

Moth suppression

Labor	30.25	
Advertising	5.26	35.51

Tree warden

Labor	71.90	
All other	6.50	78.40

Forest fires

Warden and deputy wardens salaries 1918	55.00	
Fighting fires	187.44	
Apparatus	36.00	
Automobile hire	28.50	306.94

Health

Administration

Quarantine cards	.75	
Influenza nurse expense	4.00	
Birth returns	6.50	
Fumigation	59.70	

Inspection

Meat	\$ 358.50	
Animals	75.00	\$ 504.45

Nurse

Salary	366.67	
Supplies	39.21	
Transportation	27.61	433.49

Highways

General

Printing	3.83	
Labor	504.67	
Teams	519.22	
Gravel	7.80	
Equipment and repairs	32.10	
Tile and pipe	132.11	
Bridges, labor	160.46	
lumber	458.90	
spikes	7.50	
Oiling streets	200.00	
Street lights	1,310.82	
Watering trough	5.00	
Street signs	23.26	
Sewers	39.50	3,405.17

Chapter 155 Acts of 1918

Labor	2,756.13	
Teams	3,107.25	
Dynamite	58.25	
Repairs and equipment	39.36	
Freight	4.12	
Tools	10.73	
Gravel	12.30	
Supplies	5.86	
All other	6.00	6,000.00

Enfield Highway

Labor	\$ 3,099.13	
Teams	1,800.98	
Culverts	165.05	
Dynamite	25.25	
Coal	40.86	
Tools	69.01	
Cement	43.09	
Stone and gravel	143.60	
Roller part (old bill)	9.30	
Miscellaneous	19.41	5,415.68

Poor

Outside relief

Stationery, printing and postage	1.61	
Making state reports	10.00	
Clothing	84.19	
Groceries and provisions	85.90	
Coal and wood	62.50	
Board and care	157.50	
Medical attendance and nursing	666.11	
Cash (including aid from Whiting Street and Susan Bridgman poor funds)	788.00	
Rent	120.00	
Mothers' Aid	984.35	
Relief by City of Holyoke	40.87	
Burials	125.00	3,126.03

Town Farm January 1 to March 31

Warden's salary	112.50
Groceries and provisions	206.42
Grain	270.10
Telephone	9.05
Medical attendance	35.00
Ice	21.00

Tobacco	\$ 4.13	
Plants (1918 bill)	1.20	
Blacksmithing	9.60	
Clothing	11.67	\$ 680.67
Town Farm April 1 to December 31		
Warden salary	450.00	
Other employees	127.00	
Scrubbing	10.00	
Groceries and provisions	514.37	
Dry goods and clothing	37.28	
Repairs, labor	39.20	
material	34.72	
Sawing wood	13.25	
Grain	1,073.47	
Telephone	11.54	
Medical attendance	4.00	
Hens	25.00	
Burial of pauper	55.00	
Plants	1.00	
Bull	70.00	
Fumigation	1.25	
Stove and pipe	29.95	
Pasture rent	25.00	
Equipment	44.64	
Blacksmithing	39.90	
Harness parts and repairs	37.64	
All other	28.55	2,672.76
State Aid	1,410.40	1,410.40
Schools		
Committee, salaries	100.50	
Superintendent, salary	1,296.00	
Stationery, printing and postage	22.16	

Telephone	\$ 1.15	
Traveling expenses	24.40	
Census	17.50	
Express	11.30	
Physician	41.66	
All other administration	7.15	
Teachers' salaries	10,769.85	
Text and reference books	182.74	
Tuition	312.66	
Transportation	2,562.46	
Janitors	592.00	
Fuel	851.95	
Repairs	145.84	
Janitors' supplies	58.60	
All other maintenance of buildings	10.00	
Water rent	29.16	
Rent	5.00	
Graduation	10.57	
Water supply for Franklin	455.08	
Furnace for Franklin	625.00	18,132.73

Unclassified

Damages to automobiles	37.35	
Memorial Day	75.00	
Town clock	48.00	
Town reports	79.74	
Flags	9.30	
Honor roll	36.02	
Ballots and voters lists	23.85	
Insurance	240.66	
Flagpole	3.75	
Bounties	15.00	
Farm Bureau	50.00	
Welcome Home celebration	115.95	
Administering oaths	7.00	741.62

Cemeteries

Commissioner's salary	\$ 3.00	
Labor	96.30	\$ 99.30

Interest

Revenue loans	470.14	
Cemetery bond	11.08	481.22

Temporary Loans

Anticipation of revenue	22,000.00	22,000.00
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Agency, Trust and Investment

State tax	2,640.00	
Special state tax	158.40	
County tax	2,489.70	
State highway tax	322.80	
Liquor licenses to state	111.73	
Perpetual care funds	325.00	
Interest on perpetual care funds rede- posited	12.81	
Care of funded cemetery lots	249.00	6,309.44

Refunds and Transfers

Calvin Bridgman fund income to library	182.02	
Dog licenses to library	269.37	
Susan Bridgman fund income to library	50.00	501.39
Cash December 31, 1919		<u>4,529.01</u>

Total

\$ 79,266.08

Reserve Fund Transfers

Forest fires	\$ 100.00
Fire department	81.72
Franklin school water	55.08
Election and registration	4.00
Town hall	32.00

Schools (Franklin furnace)	\$ 650.00
Insurance	45.00
Unclassified	75.00
Highways, Chapter 155 Acts of 1918	2.02 \$ 1,044.82

BALANCE SHEET

Dec. 31, 1919

ASSETS

Cash

General	\$ 3,747.43	
Trust fund	781.58	\$ 4,529.01

Accounts Receivable

Taxes of 1919	6,103.93	
A. Bridgman	1,282.50	7,386.43

Departmental Bills

Enfield highway appropriation	2,000.00	
B. & M. R. R., forest fires 1918	26.48	
State temporary aid	972.49	
State mothers' aid	210.56	
State aid	1,410.40	
State 15% reserve on Enfield high- way 1917 work	515.42	
State 15% reserve on Enfield high- way 1919 work	892.58	6,027.93
		\$17,943.37

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Cash and securities	\$21,564.32	\$21,564.32
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LIABILITIES

Overlayings balance, levy of 1919		\$ 355.56
" reserve		574.14
Surplus revenue, 1917 and prior	\$ 1,145.39	
1918	3,099.48	
1919	5,335.18	9,580.05
Appropriations Balances		
Enfield highway 1917 contract	1,531.66	
" " 1916 "	592.66	
Reserve fund	499.79	2,624.11
Trust Fund Income Balances		
Whiting Street fund	214.67	
Susan Bridgman poor fund	263.44	
Bridgman library fund	192.25	
Longley music fund	111.22	781.58
Departmental revenue	4,027.93	4,027.93
		<u>\$ 17,943.37</u>

TRUST ACCOUNTS

G. D. Longley, music fund	\$ 2,219.94
Calvin Bridgman, library fund	4,000.00
" " high school fund	6,000.00
Susan Bridgman, poor fund	3,500.00
" " cemetery fund	200.00
Cemetery perpetual care funds	5,644.38
	\$21,564.32

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND BALANCES

	Appropriations	Reserve Fund Transfers	Available Receipts	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Legislative	\$ 50.00			11.83	38.17
Selectmen	425.00			336.23	88.77
Treasurer	265.00			250.21	14.79
Accountant	225.00			221.97	3.03
Clerk	210.00			152.87	57.13
Bond for clerk	10.00				10.00
Certification of notes	10.00			6.00	4.00
Tax collector	200.00			200.00	
Safe for collector	3.00				3.00
Assessors	450.00			430.60	19.40
Law	100.00			8.40	91.60
Election and registration	175.00	4.00		179.00	
Town hall	150.00	32.00	.20	182.02	.18
Police	200.00		160.00	172.89	187.11
Fire	100.00	81.72		181.72	
Forest fires	200.00	100.00	169.95	306.94	155.01
Tree warden	150.00			78.40	71.60
Moth suppression	50.00			35.51	14.49

Health	500.00	75.00	504.45	70.55
Nurse	1,000.00		433.49	566.51
Highways and bridges	2,500.00		1,894.35	605.65
Oiling streets	100.00	108.00	200.00	8.00
Chapter 155, Acts of 1918	3,500.00	2.02	6,000.00	
Street lights	1,325.00		1,310.82	14.18
Poor	3,000.00	3,799.50	5,978.46	821.04
State aid	1,800.00		1,410.40	389.60
Schools	13,400.00	650.00	17,677.65	1.49
Water at Franklin school	400.00	55.08	455.08	
Sealer of W. & M.	70.00		68.13	1.87
Unclassified	175.00	75.00	290.61	15.17
Town clock	48.00	55.78	48.00	
Insurance	200.00	45.00	240.66	4.34
Memorial day	75.00		75.00	
Damages to automobiles	37.75		37.75	
Farm bureau	50.00		50.00	
Interest	700.00	160.57	481.22	379.35
Cemeteries	100.00		99.30	.70
Reserve fund	1,544.00	1,044.82	.61*	499.79

* .61 unexpended balance from 1918

Report of Public Health Nurse

Sept. 10, 1919 to Jan. 1, 1920

Total no. of patients	34
sick calls	93
No. paying patients	5
Money received	\$ 12.55
Child welfare visits	8

SCHOOL REPORT

No. children examined	304
school children inspections	503
treatments, dressings, etc., school children	188
home visits to parents	138
other home visits	56
health talks in schools	41
to parents	3
enlarged and diseased tonsils	30
tonsils and adenoids	20

Tooth brush drills have been given in all schools. Notes have been sent to parents urging correction of physical defects and as many as possible have been interviewed. It is hoped several corrections will be made. Sanitary conditions of all the schools could be very much improved upon. There is a great need for water for the school children and it is hoped that in the near future there may be a well in every school yard.

I wish to express appreciation for the cooperation of the teachers in the health work in the schools, also commendation

is due the school supt., school physician and school committee for their support and interest in the work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. HIBBARD,

Public Health Nurse

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

Sealing 5 platform scales over 5,000 pounds	\$ 5.00
“ 9 “ “ under “ “	8.50
“ 5 computing scales	.15
“ 30 other scales	.90
“ 100 weights	3.00
“ 26 liquid measures	.78
“ 8 oil pumps	1.20
“ 2 molasses pumps	.27
“ 2 linear measures	.06
	\$ 19.86
Fees paid the treasurer	\$ 19.83
Overpaid in 1918	.01
Balance due the town	.02
	\$ 19.86

Respectfully submitted,
 CHARLES F. AUSTIN,
Sealer of Weights and Measures

Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Balance from last year		\$ 2,879.04
Rec'd from State Treasurer		
income tax	\$ 504.00	
school fund	1,037.07	
industrial school	6.95	
temporary aid	256.69	
mothers' aid	260.58	
tuition state wards	742.50	
superintendent's fund	900.00	
inspection of animals	75.00	
highways	7,551.22	
income tax, school fund	400.00	
corporation tax	181.91	
corporation tax (business)	794.19	
bank tax	295.48	
soldiers' burial	100.00	
state aid	1,843.00	
tax reimbursement	200.89	
soldier's exemption	147.41	
state forestry	18.00	
care sick pauper	121.62	
		\$ 15,436.51
Rec'd for perpetual care cemetery lots		
Mrs. John H. Bardwell	\$ 50.00	
Mrs. Eunice Bardwell	50.00	
B. L. Towne	50.00	
B. W. Ayres	75.00	

Wellington Walker	\$ 100.00	
		\$ 325.00
Rec'd from D. F. Shumway, tax collector		
taxes of 1917	\$ 167.82	
1918	5,844.98	
1919	30,358.66	
		\$ 36,371.46
Rec'd from Amherst Nat. bank		
revenue loans	\$ 18,000.00	
interest on deposits	112.35	
refund of discount	48.22	
		\$ 18,160.57
Rec'd from interest on trust funds		
Susan M. Bridgman, poor fund	\$ 280.00	
" cemetery fund	9.60	
Calvin Bridgman, library fund	192.25	
" school fund	288.37	
Longley music fund	85.00	
cemetery funds	252.21	
Whiting Street fund	290.00	
		\$ 1,397.43
Rec'd for licenses and fees		
butchers	\$ 5.00	
pool	6.00	
druggist	1.00	
junk	9.00	
milk	1.00	
circus	5.00	
auctioneer	2.00	
liquor	445.85	
C. F. Austin, fees	19.83	
		\$ 494.68
Rec'd from County Treasurer		
dog tax	\$ 269.37	
fines in district court	160.00	
wild cat bounty	5.00	

killing dogs	\$ 10.00	
		\$ 444.37
Rec'd on town farm account		
L. A. Shumway	\$ 443.63	
E. C. Witt	2,566.02	
estate of pauper	130.00	
		\$ 3,139.65
Rec'd from sundry sources		
sundry persons, oiling streets	\$ 108.00	
city of Springfield, poor dept.	13.07	
town of Enfield, tuition	250.25	
G. E. Scott, Welcome Home com.	40.78	
Cent. Vt. R. R., fires	143.95	
T. D. Potter, refund check	4.68	
Wm. Orlando, tile	22.00	
H. Barrett, apples	4.00	
A. Bridgman, use of telephone	.20	
estate of Wm. Bell	7.89	
Bertha Gage, $\frac{1}{2}$ cemetery lot	10.00	
J. M. Hibbard, district nurse	12.55	
		\$ 617.37
		\$ 79,266.08

PAYMENTS

Sixty-nine warrants authorized by the selectmen as shown by the town accountant's report	\$ 74,737.07
Balance Dec. 31, 1919	4,529.01
	\$ 79,266.08

W. F. NICHOLS, *Treasurer*

Report of the Selectmen

The Board organized with E. R. Peeso chairman, who after two weeks of service resigned and since that time has been "The absent member of the board." J. J. Garvey was chosen to fill the vacancy, W. D. E. Morse, clerk. The selectmen made the necessary appointments, Public Weigher, Inspector of Meats, etc. The service rendered by Mr. E. C. Witt as Supt. of the construction of the Enfield state road is greatly appreciated by the selectmen and should be by every citizen interested in the welfare of his town.

The following figures show: amount spent \$5,415.68; amount received \$5,054.92; 15% reserve \$892.58; leaving a balance for the town of \$534.82. We are glad to be able to inform the citizens that for the first time in 20 years the town is free from debt and has a surplus revenue of \$9,580.05.

J. J. GARVEY
W. D. E. MORSE

Selectmen of Belchertown

Report of the Board of Health

The Board of Health submits the following report:

19 cases of contagious diseases have been reported for the year ending Dec. 31, 1919 with one death, 34 cases of influenza, 2 cases of pneumonia.

The \$1,000 appropriated at Town meeting in Feb. 1919 for a District nurse was insufficient to meet the expenses for the entire year, consequently the Selectmen secured the services of Miss Jessie Hibbard whose work commenced at the opening of the Fall term of school.

The total expense for services, supplies and transportation from Sept. 10 to Jan. 1, 1920 amounts to \$433.49.

J. J. GARVEY
W. D. E. MORSE

Selectmen of Belchertown

Report of Overseers of the Poor

The Overseers of the Poor present their report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1919. At the beginning of the official year three inmates were at the Town farm. One left to support himself, and one has died.

We are glad to say that all obligations have been met for the one who died. The present Warden at the Town farm has been handicapped in making as good a showing as he otherwise could for the reason it was necessary to replenish so many things both indoors and out; beside, many repairs were necessary. The number of persons aided and supported in their own homes and the homes of others for the year is twenty-three. There are 18 persons who came under the Mothers' Aid Law, and one family of three is supported by the state. The income available from benevolent endowments has given relief in many cases.

J. J. GARVEY
W. D. E. MORSE

Selectmen of Belchertown

Warden's Report

Paid out by Warden April 1, 1919 to Jan. 1, 1920

Paid for 2 pigs	\$ 16.00	
H. M. Jepson, butchering	.50	
John Stadler, butchering	2.00	
Harold Leat, labor	6.00	
Roland Pierce, filling silo	8.50	
Rufus Pierce, " "	8.50	
Wilbur Pierce, " "	8.50	
Jack Armitage, " "	7.00	
Henry Aikey, " "	3.50	
Charles Shaw, labor on ice	7.00	
Harry Dodge, pole	1.50	
Henry Witt, chain	3.00	
J. Saltman, groceries	5.00	
William Atkins, peaches	2.50	
John Tiley, art square	10.80	
Paid out by the warden	—	\$ 90.30
Paid Treasurer		2,566.02
Total		\$ 2,656.32
15 hearse calls		
1 inmate		
1 tramp, lodged and fed		

Received by Warden April 1, 1919 to Jan. 1, 1920

Rec'd for milk	\$ 1,830.46
2 pigs	20.00
hens	48.37

Rec'd for eggs	\$ 21.73
1 cow to Ben Rowe	35.00
2 cows to R. A. French	87.50
calves	204.66
1 bull to Roy Baggs	100.00
stock service	8.00
labor with team	218.70
3 bu. potatoes	1.50
ice	1.50
1 hearse call	3.00
bags	6.30
sweet cider	14.00
apples	34.00
1 half hog	21.60
	\$ 2,656.32

E. CLIFTON WITT, *Warden*

Town farm receipts from April 1 to December 31 should have the following credits:

Sale of eggs credited on grocery bill at A. H. Phillips	\$ 9.62
Burial of inmate (money refunded thru sale of estate)	55.00
Doctor's bill " (" " " " " ")	4.00
Board " (" " " " " ")	14.20
	\$ 82.82

W. E. SHAW, *Town Accountant*

Town Farm Inventory

April 1, 1919

35 hens	\$ 70.00
Mowing machine No. 2	8.00
“ “ No. 1	50.00
Spring tooth harrow	5.00
Smoothing “	5.00
Wheel “	15.00
3 scythes and snaths	4.50
Wrench	1.50
Cultivator	4.00
Dump cart	75.00
Two-horse wagon	110.00
2 pigs	15.00
Corn planter	15.00
Winnowing mill	5.00
Lawn mower	.50
Feed cutter	1.00
15 cords wood	75.00
2 cross cut saws	2.00
3 wood saws	3.00
Washing machine	5.00
2 tubs	2.00
Washboard	.50
Wash bench	1.00
2 stoves	5.00
5 cords stove wood	37.50
Range	35.00

6 iron beds	\$ 15.00
Canned fruit and vegetables	20.00
20 bu. potatoes	20.00
6 vinegar barrels	12.00
36 fruit jars	3.00
Salt pork	20.00
5 gal. oil can	1.50
Oil heater	5.00
Dining table	6.00
Kitchen tables	2.00
Parlor table	2.00
5 lamps	1.50
1 lamp	2.00
Bu. beans	8.00
8 chairs	6.00
15 bureaus	30.00
5 bed springs	10.00
4 stoves	10.00
Steelyards	1.50
Creamery tank	5.00
2 milk pails	2.00
Barn pails	2.00
2 pr. ice tongs	2.00
Milk mixer	5.00
Corn sheller	3.00
50 bu. corn	50.00
Express wagon	10.00
Traverse sleigh	10.00
Sleigh	5.00
Grindstone	2.00
40 tons ice	60.00
Hay fork	25.00
5 tons hay	140.00
3 pitch forks	2.25
Hand rake	.50
Cant hook	1.00

2 hoes	\$ 1.00
Potato hook	.50
Crow bar	1.50
2 feed bags	2.00
50 lbs. oyster shells	.50
Pr. team harnesses	35.00
Farm harness	15.00
Buggy "	10.00
Corn hooks	2.50
Step ladder	1.50
2 ladders	2.00
Two-horse sled	30.00
One-horse "	10.00
Hay tedder	5.00
Paris green gun	1.50
Evener and whipple-trees	3.00
Meadow hay	15.00
Wagon pole	1.00
Buggy	50.00
Manure spreader	10.00
Robe	5.00
Pr. stable blankets	7.00
Pr. street "	8.00
Wagon jack	1.50
Syracuse plow	15.00
Small tools	5.00
Side-hill plow	10.00
4 plows	8.00
Feed trough	1.00
Horse rake	18.00
1 stake chain	.25
1 cable "	3.00
Sewing machine	2.00
Table linen	.50
Curtains	5.00

Bed linen	\$ 2.00
2 bed spreads	1.00
2 bed blankets	1.00
4 quilts	2.00
3 feather beds	6.00
Straw bed	.50
2 mattresses	4.00
4 pillows	2.00
Bed room set	5.00
Invalid chair	10.00
Pantry utensils	5.00
Lounge	1.00
2 lanterns	2.00
Garden rake	.50
Pick	.50
Manure fork	1.00
6 bags lime	3.00
Barrel spray pump	8.00
Carpet sweeper	2.00
Dishes	5.00
Provisions	2.00
4 tons ensilage	20.00
Cow No. 1	80.00
“ 2	50.00
“ 3	125.00
“ 4	125.00
“ 5	80.00
“ 6	125.00
“ 7	70.00
“ 8	100.00
“ 9	80.00
“ 10	90.00
“ 11	90.00
“ 12	85.00
Heifer No. 13	50.00
“ “ 14	35.00
Bull	100.00
2 two-year olds, 2 yearlings, 2 calves	175.00
Pr. horses	375.00

Town Farm Inventory

January 1, 1920

34 hens	\$ 68.00
1 smoothing harrow	5.00
Spring tooth harrow	5.00
Wheel harrow	15.00
Syracuse plough	15.00
Side hill plough	10.00
Mowing machine	8.00
" "	50.00
Horse-rake	18.00
3 scythes and snaths	4.50
Evener and whippetrees	3.00
Cultivator	4.00
6 bags lime	3.00
Buggy	50.00
Sleigh	5.00
Barrel spray pump	8.00
Paris green	1.50
1 pr. street blankets	8.00
16 lbs. grass seed	2.22
Hay tedder	5.00
Wagon jack	1.50
Pick	.50
1 two-horse lumber wagon	110.00
Hog	50.00
Dump cart	75.00
Shovel	1.50

6 stake chains	\$ 2.10
2 pr. ice tongs	2.00
Grind stone	2.00
Plough point	1.00
Pr. street blankets	10.00
30 bags	1.80
5 lbs. arsenate lead	2.25
Hay knife	1.50
Plane	3.25
Large wrench	1.50
Other small tools	5.00
Barbed wire	5.00
2 feed bags	2.00
2 cable chains	6.00
Wire stretcher	1.75
2 hoes	1.00
Garden rake	.50
Potato hook	.50
Crow bar	1.50
Cant hook	1.00
1 lb. Paris green	.60
$\frac{1}{2}$ bu. seed corn	2.25
2 tie lines	.70
4 pitch forks	3.00
2 rakes	1.00
Express wagon	10.00
1 pr. team harnesses	45.00
Single farm harness	15.00
Buggy harness	10.00
2 bridles	8.00
Barn broom	1.00
Set steelyards	1.50
Creamery tank	5.00
Milk mixer	5.00
2 milk pails	2.00
Barn pails	2.00

Corn sheller	\$ 3.00
Manure spreader	10.00
Meadow hay	10.00
Plough	2.00
Corn planter	15.00
2-horse sled	30.00
1-horse sled	10.00
Traverse sleigh	10.00
Winnowing mill	5.00
3 ploughs	6.00
Feed trough	1.00
Express pole	1.00
Feed cutter	1.00
2 manure forks	3.00
1 pr. stable blankets	7.00
Lap robe	5.00
50 ft. rope	1.50
Hay fork	25.00
40 tons ice	60.00
2 ladders	2.00
Lawn mower	.50
Step ladder	1.50
Pantry utensils	25.00
5 lamps	1.50
1 lamp	2.00
4 lanterns	4.50
Lounge	1.00
Bed linen	2.00
Table linen	.50
5 bed springs	10.00
12 window screens	6.00
Clothes basket	1.50
Wash boiler	4.00
2 tubs	2.00
Washboard	.50
Washing machine	5.00

Wash bench	\$ 1.00
Towels	3.00
Curtains	5.00
2 bed spreads	1.00
4 bed quilts	2.00
3 feather beds	6.00
Straw bed	.50
2 mattresses	4.00
4 pillows	2.00
2 blankets	1.00
1 bed room set	5.00
4 stoves	10.00
Sewing machine	2.00
Art square	10.80
Linoleum	7.50
1 bu. beans	8.00
1 bu. walnuts	6.00
4 bbls. apples	24.00
3 bu. potatoes	6.00
30 gal. vinegar	15.00
Canned fruits and vegetables	40.00
4 doz. empty fruit jars	4.00
3 wood saws	3.00
2 cross cut saws	2.00
1 axe	1.00
15 cords stove wood	120.00
Range	35.00
2 stoves	5.00
Invalid chair	10.00
15 bureaus	30.00
8 chairs	6.00
Stand	.50
Center table	2.00
Dining room table	6.00
2 kitchen tables	2.00
Carpet sweeper	2.00

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Parlor stove	\$ 31.05
Oil heater	5.00
Set sad irons	1.50
5-gal. oil can	1.50
Dishes	5.00
Provisions	40.00
15 ton stock hay	420.00
7 " Timothy hay	245.00
1 " millet	18.00
35 " ensilage	245.00
Cow No. 1	80.00
" 2	40.00
" 3	125.00
" 4	125.00
" 5	80.00
" 6	150.00
" 7	80.00
" 8	150.00
" 9	80.00
" 10	125.00
" 11	125.00
" 12	125.00
" 13	85.00
Bull	100.00
2 yearlings	60.00
2 2-yr. olds	90.00
Pr. horses	375.00
6 iron beds	15.00
6 vinegar barrels	12.00
6 corn hooks	2.50

Reports of Appropriations Committee

The committee of appropriations recommend as follows:

For Legislative expenses	\$ 50.00
Selectmen	425.00
Treasurer	225.00
Accountant	225.00
Clerk	175.00
Bond for Clerk	10.00
Certification of notes	10.00
Tax Collector	250.00
Assessors	470.00
Law	75.00
Election and Registration	200.00
Town Hall	175.00
Police	175.00
Fire department	100.00
Forest fires	200.00
Tree Warden	100.00
Moth suppression	40.00
Health	500.00
Bridges, snow, sewers, etc. (work on streets outside of Chap. 155, acts of 1918)	1,500.00
Chapter 155, acts of 1918	4,400.00
Oiling Streets	100.00
Street Lights	1,325.00
Poor	3,000.00
State Aid	1,200.00

Schools	\$ 20,000.00
Sealer of weights and measures	70.00
Unclassified	175.00
Town clock	48.00
Insurance	400.00
Memorial day	75.00
Interest	400.00
Cemeteries	100.00
Reserve fund	1,000.00
Total	\$ 37,198.00

J. J. GARVEY	}	<i>Appropriations</i> <i>Committee</i>
W. F. NICHOLS		
W. D. E. MORSE		

Annual Report

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION, FEBRUARY 1919

School Committee

W. F. NICHOLS	Term expires, Feb., 1922
EVERETT A. GEER	“ “ “ 1921
E. CLIFTON WITT	“ “ “ 1920

Superintendent

ALVAN R. LEWIS	Term expires, Sept. 1, 1921
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Attendance Officer

D. F. SHUMWAY

School Physician

JAMES L. COLLARD, M. D.

Report of the School Committee

That the voters of the town may thoroughly understand the reason why the school committee have asked for so large an appropriation, it seems best to briefly explain some of the laws recently passed by the legislature that apply to school matters.

First a law went into effect Jan. 1, 1919, making the minimum salary of all teachers \$550. To meet this requirement it was necessary to raise the pay of all our teachers from \$100 to \$300, making a total for all of about \$2,000. Later the Chamberlain bill was passed, setting aside most of the income tax for the use of the schools. Under the provisions of this bill, we receive nothing from the state if we continue to pay the minimum salary of \$550, while if we raise the pay of each teacher to \$650, we receive from the state \$300 a year for each teacher.

The committee accordingly voted Sept. 1 to raise the salary to \$650. Thus by paying \$100 more than the minimum, we receive from the state \$300, making a net gain to the town of \$200 for each teacher. Having complied with the provisions of the law the town will receive from the state in 1920 about \$5,000.

In previous years your committee have asked for an appropriation, which united with receipts from other sources would enable them to carry on the work of the schools. Last year, for instance, \$13,400 was appropriated and \$4,764.14 received from other sources. This year the committee planned to ask for an appropriation of \$12,000, a decrease of \$1,400 from the

appropriation made last year.

A few weeks ago we received from the Commissioner of Education a letter from which the following quotation is made.

"May I suggest that school authorities request the town to appropriate a sufficient amount to run the schools for the entire year and, at the same time furnish a statement showing the amounts the town may expect to receive as reimbursement on account of existing laws relating to education. These amounts will be used by assessors in fixing the tax rate so that the actual amount required to be raised by local taxation for school purposes will be the difference between the amount requested and the estimated receipts."

In compliance with this request we ask for \$20,000 and give the following estimate of receipts.

Longley music fund	\$ 85.00
Bridgman high school fund	240.00
Tuition of children	740.00
Superintendent's salary	900.00
Income tax, school fund	5,000.00
Mass. school fund	1,035.00
	————— \$ 8,000.00

By Section 16, Chapter 363 of the Acts of 1919, the income from the Mass. School Fund is no longer specifically set aside for schools and will not again appear as estimated school receipts.

You will note that \$2,562.46 was paid for transportation, a sum altogether too large. A few years ago it was cheaper to transport pupils than to hire a teacher for the smaller schools. At present with the help given us by the Chamberlain bill the reverse is true and we are planning to open several more schools next September.

The railroad connections are so poor that it costs three times as much as formerly to transport pupils from the south part of the town to the High school. For that reason an article has been placed in the warrant, so that if the voters think

best an appropriation may be made for that purpose.

The furnace at the Franklin school has given poor service for several years. Last winter it was necessary to close the school very frequently, thus causing a serious loss to the pupils. An expert from the firm that installed the furnace was called to examine it and he pronounced it worthless and beyond repair. The committee, believing that conditions would be worse this winter, asked the Finance Committee to transfer \$650 from the reserve fund. With this sum a coal heating furnace has been installed and is giving satisfactory service.

Because of lack of funds many of our school buildings have had little or no attention given to them for several years. On this account many of them are in very poor condition. This is especially true of the Blue Meadow school house which must be repaired this year, and the Chestnut Hill building must be shingled.

A detailed account of the new lines of work begun the past year may be found in the Superintendent's report.

We unanimously agree with all that Supt. Lewis and Prin. Allen say about tardiness and trust that the parents will try to cooperate with the teachers in seeing that all the pupils are *on time*.

What the superintendent says about a course in agriculture in the High school is worthy of careful consideration and at the same time we should consider the desirability of putting into our schools a business course so that pupils need not go away from home to get the training they need for office or business work.

W. F. NICHOLS
E. CLIFTON WITT
EVERETT A. GEER

School Committee

School Calendar

Schools will begin Aug. 30, 1920, and will close Dec. 17, 1920 for a recess of one week. They will open Dec. 27, 1920, and will continue until June 24, 1921, with one week's intermission at the expiration of every eight weeks.

Teachers, January 1, 1920

High School	Thomas Allen
“ “	Alice Coon
“ “	Josepha Perry
Center Grammar	Victor Blackmer
“ Intermediate	Nettie Allen
“ Primary	Ruby Knight
“ “ Asst.	Susie Squires
Franklin Grammar	Nellie Shea
“ Int.	Sadie Demarest
“ Prim.	Lulu Austin
Liberty	Emie Hopkins
Washington	Violet Page
Rockrimmon	Emma Stadler
Cold Spring	Bridget Fitzgerald
Blue Meadow	Irene Orlando
Federal	Amy Witt
Union	Edith Towne
Music	Florence Clough
“	Bernice Cook
Sewing	Ardelle Hinds

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Belcher town,

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit for your consideration my twelfth annual report which is the sixteenth annual report of the superintendent of schools.

Probably the work of the schools throughout the state has never been so seriously interrupted as it has been during the past few years, because of infantile paralysis, shortage of fuel, and, during the past year, because of influenza. Not only the loss of time caused by closing the schools, but the poor attendance during the time the schools were in session has had its effect upon the work of the schools.

The per cent. of attendance for the school year ending June 30, 1919, was 87. The number of cases of tardiness for the same time was thirteen hundred eighty-nine. This is deplorable. Absence on account of sickness is excusable, but tardiness because of late rising, doing errands, and loitering is inexcusable. Parents who allow their children to form the habit of being late are doing them a lasting injury. They will be handicapped through life. Punctuality is a fundamental element of success.

Owing to increase of salaries there have been fewer changes in our corps of teachers than for many years. Miss Genevina Kimball resigned as teacher of the Center Grammar school at the close of the school year. The vacancy was filled by Mr. Victor A. Blackmer, who received his training in the Fitchburg Normal schools and who has had a number of years of experience. His work as teacher and disciplinarian proves

that a wise choice was made.

Mrs. Mildred Gay resigned as teacher of the Center Intermediate school in June and Mrs. Nettie Allen who had formerly been a successful teacher in our schools was elected to fill the vacancy.

Owing to the crowded condition of the center schools it was thought best to reopen the Federal school in September and the pupils below the seventh grade who reside in that district and the pupils from Lake Vale who were being transported to Union were placed in Federal in charge of Mrs. Amy Witt, a graduate of the Salem Normal school and a teacher of experience.

The large number of pupils in the Primary room in the center which consists of three grades called for an assistant. Miss Susie Squires was employed on part time.

The school year has been extended from thirty-six to forty weeks and the grades have been reduced from nine to eight. A course of study has been prepared accordingly. The work has been made as practical as possible by omitting those subjects that have little practical value. Instruction in sewing has been given the girls in the Grammar and Intermediate rooms in the center. This work is in charge of Miss Ardelle Hinds. Pupils of the rural schools are given instruction in music. Miss Bernice Cook has charge of this work. Good progress has been made in music and sewing.

New books have been supplied to take the place of many of the old and worn out ones and a few reference books have been placed in some of the schools. These are in constant use and are of great help in the work of the pupils. By adding a few reference books each year a school library may be provided. Every school should have at least a small library.

There are only two courses in our High school, the English and the college preparatory. About sixty per cent. of those who enter the High school leave before they graduate. I am convinced that the greatest number leave because they feel that they do not get what they need. If some vocational

course were provided, undoubtedly more would complete their courses.

The state board of education has arranged a course in agriculture which could be adopted with very little expense. Two-thirds of the salary of the teacher of agriculture would be paid by the state. The principal of the school may be the teacher, under certain conditions which would not be an obstacle. He would spend eleven months of the year in carrying on the work in school and with the pupils at work on the land cultivated, and at their homes. By this arrangement an assistant principal could be employed with very little, if any, extra expense. Pupils who complete the course in agriculture, successfully, would be credited with four points of the number required for entrance to the Mass. Agricultural college. A special course of two years in this college can be taken by any pupil who shows aptitude for and ability to do the work.

The law relating to the employment of minors has been revised so that pupils between the ages of fourteen and sixteen years must have completed the work of the sixth grade before they can receive an employment certificate. He must present to the superintendent, (1) a birth or baptismal certificate, (2) a promise of employment, (3) a physician's certificate, (4) a school record from his teacher.

All minors between the ages of seven and sixteen years must attend school, except those who have received a certificate and are regularly employed.

The object of our public schools is to train the children for right living, mentally, physically and morally. Less stress should not be laid on the mental and physical, but greater emphasis should be placed on the moral development. Rousseau, when speaking of the education of the child, says, "Let him first be a man." In the constitution of the state of Massachusetts we read: "It shall be the duty of legislators and magistrates in all future periods of the Commonwealth, to countenance and inculcate the principles of humanity and general benevolence, public and private charity, industry and frugality,

honesty and punctuality, sincerity, good humor, and all social affections and generous sentiments among the people.”

During the year 1920 the Tercentenary celebration of the founding of Massachusetts will be observed. The teachers of our public schools should bear in mind the ideals we have inherited from the founders of our Commonwealth.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVAN R. LEWIS

Dec. 31, 1919.

Report of High School Principal

Superintendent A. R. Lewis,

Dear Sir:—

Youth is essentially a period of habit forming. All educators recognize it; all thinking people know it. Our habits are of two kinds, good and bad. Judged by standards of the lower world, our good habits are bad, our bad, good. Judged by upper world standards, our good are good, our bad, bad. Men so esteem habits that they become virtues, so berate them that they become sins.

Tardiness is a curse, a sin; so is absence. Much is avoidable. As teachers, we may do all in our power in school to secure punctuality but the attitude of the parent is largely responsible for the showing of the High school as published monthly in *The Sentinel*. In a lukewarm (?) attitude toward tardiness, they are abetting an evil habit, one that will be a potent factor against their child's securing a coveted position in any occupation. Punctuality is highly prized by all employers. We read, "The hand of the diligent maketh rich." May it not be equally true that the feet of the dilatory inviteth poverty? Hand in hand with being on time go integrity, right living, honorableness of purpose, dependability, an honest day's work for a day's pay. These factors are to be taken into account wherever and whenever an attempt shall be made to restore our pre-war, normal, living expense.

The work of the school is normal and there is every prospect that the outgoing class will endeavor to maintain a grade of work sufficiently good for a continuance of our certificate

privilege. While many do not take the college preparatory course, their work is better because of the stimulus they receive from those heading that way.

Of our recent graduates now in college, good reports are received. They are making college life, its training, a business. So must we make school a business. I do not decry recreation in sports, games and social functions; these have their place; but the preparation of school work ought to be aided, not retarded thereby. The duties of school first, its social life afterward.

We have as good student material in our schools here as can be found anywhere. We strive earnestly in the four short years to train this material, so that it will be most useful to itself. Pupils, do you feel that you are doing your part? Parents, do you? "If a person will not climb, it is no use to lift him." Games are not won by individuals alone, "but" as Kipling says, "by the everlasting teamwork of every bloomin' soul."

Very truly yours,
THOMAS ALLEN

Report of the Supervisor of Music

No noteworthy change has marked the policy of the school music during the past year. We have certain old problems that will always confront us, namely, to improve the pupil's ability to read at sight, to give him a working knowledge of the rudiments of music, and to teach him to interpret songs intelligently.

Individual slip singing has been carried on in all the schools during the year. The two purposes in conducting a lesson in slips are to test the pupil's knowledge, and to help illustrate some principles taught. Sometimes the syllables of their new songs in their different parts are studied in place of a slip lesson; that gives them an opportunity to read something besides the voice part they usually sing.

Sight reading and a study of music fundamentals aid the pupil to acquire a sense of form. "There can be no freedom in art until the form is mastered." The standard of art advances as the reading improves. Sight reading is the foundation of all our work in music. It is absolutely essential to know the sharp and flat keys and certain time signatures. Theoretical examinations are given frequently to cover these and other important principles.

The Franklin school deserve credit for the results obtained in music. They are up to grade with the center schools, although they have not had music as long. For one Christmas program they gave a cantata with different pupils as solists, and last June they presented an operetta at their graduation exercises.

In a small High school where music is optional, the chorus is limited and unbalanced. The boys have made a great improvement. Their special song with soloists at the last graduation exercises was greatly enjoyed. In the chorus singing this fall the boys' part stands out more prominently and the soprano is weaker than in past years. The marks of the examination in November were very satisfactory. We hoped to get new material after Christmas, in order to stimulate the interest and to get the best results.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation to the superintendent, the committee, the teachers and the pupils for the interest shown in music during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE M. CLOUGH

Report of Teacher of Sewing

Mr. A. R. Lewis, Superintendent of Schools,

My dear Mr. Lewis:

A report of the work done in sewing must be brief as the work did not begin until the last of March, 1919.

Through the spring term lessons were given in the Intermediate room only, where the three grades made a class of over thirty girls who met for one hour a week. Since much individual attention is required in this beginning work, the large class was a hindrance to the best results.

The children seemed pleased to have sewing. Several weeks were spent on "Samplers" from which they gained some knowledge of basting, running, overhanding, hemming, etc. Later they made pin balls and many of the girls hemmed towels.

In the fall term the work was extended to include the two grades in the Grammar school. Since only the seventh grade had had any sewing it has been necessary to give instruction again in the fundamental things.

The eighth grade girls are about to make white aprons preparatory to their work in cooking. To make the practical garments usually put into grammar grades a separate room with tables for cutting is an absolute necessity. This would give freedom for the pupils to move about and for the instructor to give the directions which are essential to the best results.

Respectfully submitted,

M. ARDELLE HINDS

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER

To the School Committee:

I have received twenty-three summonses from teachers to absentees from school. In most cases I have seen that they have attended school, when I found that the children were not sick.

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Attendance Officer*

NUMBER OF PUPILS IN EACH GRADE, DEC. 31, '19

Schools	GRADES												Tot.
	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	
High									20	13	9	10	52
Center	19	22	11	15	12	15	17	23					134
Franklin	12	15	13	16	12	9	15	8					100
Liberty		5		5	4		4	9					27
Washington	4	1		5	2	3	2	3					20
Rockrimmon	2	3	3	4		1	0	2					15
Cold Spring	4	5		1	1	4		3					18
Blue Meadow		2		2	5	1	3						13
Federal	4	3		7	3	3	6						26
Union	9	1	5		5		7						27
Totals	54	57	32	55	44	36	54	48	20	13	9	10	432

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

Total number	504
*Number enrolled	457
Number between 5 yrs. and 7 yrs.	59
“ “ 7 “ “ 14 “	325
“ “ 14 “ “ 16 “	44
“ above 16 yrs.	29

*This number does not include pupils who have previously attended other schools in the state during the year.

Average membership	412
Average attendance	359
Per cent. of attendance	87
Number cases of tardiness	1389
Number of pupils attending schools out of town	6
“ “ “ “ from out of town	1

SCHOOL STATISTICS

For year ending June 30, 1919

SCHOOLS	Whole Number	No. enrolled	No. between 5 and 7	No. between 7 and 14	No. between 14 and 16	No. over 16	Av. Membership	Av. Attendance	No. Tardinesses
High.	59	59	0	9	23	27	50	44	632
Center Grammar.	43	39	0	31	8	0	29	25	114
Center Intermediate.	64	61	0	58	2	1	51	42	189
Center Primary.	65	58	14	44	0	0	52	42	97
Cold Spring.	21	21	5	15	1	0	14	13	45
Franklin Grammar.	33	26	0	26	0	0	27	26	9
Franklin Intermediate.	41	39	1	38	0	0	39	37	16
Franklin Primary	32	29	24	5	0	0	32	29	7
Liberty.	32	31	4	23	4	0	30	24	83
Washington.	22	20	2	18	0	0	19	17	19
Rock Rimmon.	22	22	5	16	1	0	19	16	59
Chestnut Hill									
Holyoke									
Federal									
Lake Vale.									
Union.	49	38	3	31	4	0	36	32	33
West Hill.									
East Hill.									
Laurel.									
Blue Meadow	21	14	1	11	1	1	14	12	86
	504	457	59	325	44	29	412	359	1389

SCHOOL RECEIPTS

Appropriation	\$ 13,400.00
Mass. School Fund	1,037.07
Industrial School	6.95
Tuition	250.25
Tuition State Wards	742.50
Supt. Fund	900.00
Apples, High School lot	4.00
Income tax— school fund	400.00
Bridgman School Fund	288.37
Longley “ “	85.00
Transfer from Reserve	650.00
	—————\$ 17,764.14

SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

Committee, salaries	\$ 100.50
Superintendent salary	1,296.00
Stationery, printing, postage	22.16
Telephone	1.15
Traveling expenses	24.40
Census	17.50
Express	11.30
Physician	41.66
Teachers' salaries	10,769.85
Text books and supplies	182.74
Tuition	312.66
Transportation	2,562.46
Janitors	592.00
Fuel	851.95
Repairs	145.84
Water rent	29.16
Rent	5.00
Graduation	10.57
Furnace for Franklin	625.00
Janitors' supplies	58.60
Miscellaneous	17.15
Unexpended balance	86.49
	—————\$ 17,764.14

GRADUATING EXERCISES

OF THE

Belchertown High School

JUNE 25

1919

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

8 P. M.

Class Song— Graduation

Friends and classmates, we must sever,
Ties that bind us fast;
Though we long delay the parting,
We say "Fare-well" at last;
From our teachers kind and friendly
We must part with a sigh;
To each other slowly, sadly,
We must say a fond "Good-bye".

We must leave the dear old school house,
So well known to our sight;
And our happy year of school life,
We must leave to-night.
But a-mid the cares and duties
Which through our own lives must throng,
We'll remember one another
Though the parting may be long.

Though our school days may be ended,
The work of life is just begun,
There are noble paths to follow;
There are vict'ries to be won;
Let us ever "Aim to attain"
The greater duties and small
That in life's great field of battle,
We may conquer, one and all.

B. A. C. '19

Invocation					
On the March	SCHOOL			<i>Kral</i>	Class Motto
Salutatory	Essay	Realities and Idealities			Aspire à Atteindre
		BERNICE A. COOK,			
Essay	Woman's Work in the War				Class Flower
		PEARLE A. DUNBAR			Chrysanthemum
Fairyland Waltz	SCHOOL			<i>Veazie</i>	
Declamation	Americanism			<i>Lodge</i>	Class Colors
		ROBERT E. HANIFIN			Lavender and Cream
Class Song					Graduates
Essay	Woman Suffrage				
		LUCY K. BOWLER			
Three Cheers for the U. S. A.	BOYS' CHORUS			<i>Baldwin</i>	
Class History and Prophecy					BERNARD JOSEPH BOWLER
		HAZEL L. G. FLEMING			LUCY KATHLEEN BOWLER
Declamation	Vesuvius and the Egyptian			<i>Lytton</i>	BERNICE ARAVILLA COOK
		BERNARD J. BOWLER			PEARLE ANGELINE DUNBAR
The Pilgrims Chorus	SCHOOL			<i>Wagner</i>	HAZEL LORA GOLDEN FLEMING
					ROBERT EMMET HANIFIN
Essay	Valedictory	Appearance and Principle			MARY ANN RITA SULLIVAN
		MARY A. R. SULLIVAN		<i>Cowen</i>	Class Officers
Bridal Chorus	SCHOOL				ROBERT E. HANIFIN, <i>President</i>
Presentation of Diplomas					BERNICE A. COOK, <i>Vice-President</i>
Goodbye				<i>Losti</i>	HAZEL L. G. FLEMING, <i>Sec'y & Treas.</i>
Benediction					

Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Belchertown, on Monday the second day of February, in the year A. D. 1920, at ten o'clock in the morning, then and there to act on the following articles.

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of the town officers and act thereon.

ART. 3. To choose the following named officers: a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, a Highway Surveyor, five Constables and a Tax Collector, all for one year; one School Committee for three years, one Assessor for three years, and one Burial Ground Commissioner for three years; also to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town.

ART. 4. To choose the following named officers by nomination: One Tree Warden, three Fence Viewers, eight Measurers of Wood, eight Surveyors of Lumber, six Field Drivers, two Almoners of the Whiting Street and the

Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Funds, all for one year, and one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

ART. 5. To see if the town will vote to give to The Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid.

ART. 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125 for the purchase of an adding machine for the use of town officials.

ART. 7. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,282.50 from the surplus revenue to balance the ledger account of A. Bridgman.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses of the current financial year.

ART. 9. To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of one hundred dollars which was willed by the late Miss Armenia Munsell, the income to be used for the perpetual care of the lot in the South cemetery where rest the remains of P. Reddington Munsell and family.

ART. 10. To see what action the town will take relative to the employment of a nurse during the remainder of the year and to raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1st, 1920, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 28,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the said municipal year.

ART. 12. To see if the town will vote to choose a committee of three to be known as the committee on appropriations who shall carefully investigate and report at the next annual meeting the amounts needed in the several departments to be expended in the ensuing year, also to have charge of the administration of the reserve fund, and act thereon.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum sufficient to shingle the house and make other necessary repairs at the town farm.

ART. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,440 to be used in conjunction with an allotment from the State Department of Public works in the repairs of highways under the provisions of Chapter 155 of the Acts of 1918.

ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to purchase a road scraper.

ART. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of one thousand dollars for permanent repairs on the Bonds-ville-Belchertown road, so-called, beginning at or near the Franklin school house and working towards the milk station, and to take action thereon.

ART. 17. To see if the town will appoint a committee to name some of the roads and streets of the town and appropriate a sum for the purchase of signs to designate the same.

ART. 18. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-five dollars to be expended under the direction of "Chauncey Walker Post No. 239, American Legion", in the observance of Memorial Day.

ART. 19. To see if the town will vote to pay for the transportation of pupils from the south part of the town to the high school and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 20. To see if the town will choose a committee to have charge of an "Old Home day" celebration sometime during the present year and appropriate money for its use.

ART. 21. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Polls to be opened at 10 o'clock A. M. and closed at 4 o'clock P. M. unless otherwise ordered by vote of the town.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Community League hall, one at Dwight and one at Keyes' hotel, seven days before the time of holding aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands, this the fourteenth day of January, A. D. 1920.

J. J. GARVEY
W. D. E. MORSE

Selectmen of Belchertown

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Minutes of Annual Town Meeting

Feb. 2, 1920

Meeting called to order at 10 o'clock a. m. by Arthur Bridgman, Town Clerk, who read the warrant and called for action under Article One.

Article 1. Moderator, George H. B. Green.

Prayer was offered by Rev. H. P. Rankin.

Article 2. Voted to waive reading of all reports and they were accepted in their regular order.

Article 4. Ballot Clerks, Tellers and Counters sworn. Ballots delivered to Ballot Clerks and receipt taken. Keys to ballot box given to M. S. Barton, Constable. Ballot box opened and found empty. Polls opened at 10.30 o'clock.

Ballot Clerks Harry Aldrich and M. E. Williams.

Checkers John J. Fairchild and Timothy Garvey.

Gate Keepers James Moriarty and F. G. Shaw.

Counters Roy G. Shaw and Alvan R. Lewis.

Fred F. Dewey and John Hawes.

Tree Warden George M. Kelley*.

Eight Measurers of Wood

F. M. Fuller*

F. W. Fellows

James A. Peeso*

R. E. Fairchild*

E. F. Flaherty*

E. F. Shumway

D. D. Hazen*
W. M. Goodell

Eight Surveyors of Lumber

C. F. Austin*
E. R. Peeso*
H. S. Pratt*
E. F. Shumway*
F. M. Fuller*
H. W. Conkey
E. F. Flaherty*
James A. Peeso*

(*took oath of office)

Two Almoners of the Whiting Street and Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Fund: Mrs. H. F. Curtis and Mrs. George Witt.

One Trustee of the Calvin Bridgman fund for three years
Guy C. Allen

One Trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for two years
E. A. Randall

Three Fence Viewers and six Field Drivers to be appointed by Selectmen.

Article 5. Voted to give Clapp Memorial Library the Dog Fund in accordance with the article in the warrant.

Article 6. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125 for the purchase of an adding machine for the use of town officials in accordance with article in warrant.

Article 7. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$1,282.50 from the surplus revenue to balance the ledger account of A. Bridgman in accordance with the article.

Voted to appropriate the following amounts for the ordinary expenses of the current financial year:

Legislative expenses	\$50.	Health (plus receipts)	\$500.
Selectmen	425.	Highways	1,500.
Treasurer	225.	Oiling Streets	100.

Accountant	\$225.	Street Lights	\$1,325.
Clerk	225.	Poor (plus receipts)	3,000.
Bond for Clerk	10.	State Aid	1,200.
Certification of notes	10.	Schools	20,000
Tax Collector	250.	Sealer of weights and	
Assessors	470.	measures	70.
Law	75.	Unclassified	175.
Election and registration	200.	Town Clock	100.
Town Hall	175.	Insurance	400.
Police	175.	Memorial Day	75.
Fire Department	100.	Interest (plus receipts)	400.
Forest Fires (plus rec.)	200.	Cemeteries	250.
Tree Warden	100.	Reserve Fund	1,000.
Moth suppression	40.	Farm Bureau	50.

Peter Hanifin elected director of Hampshire County Farm Bureau.

Voted to raise the sum of \$1,600.00 on account of the increase in poll taxes.

Article 9. Voted to accept the \$100.00 provided in the will of Miss Armenia Munsell in accordance with the article in the warrant. (For cemetery perpetual care fund)

Article 10. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the employment of a nurse in accordance with the article in the warrant.

Article 11.

Voted to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning Jan. 1, 1920 to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$28,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the said municipal year.

At 3 o'clock voted to take up Article 16.

Article 16. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of

\$1,000.00 for permanent repairs on the Belchertown-Bondsville road in accordance with the article in the warrant.

Article 17. Voted to appoint a committee to name some of the roads and streets and that the chairman appoint the committee. The following were appointed: E. C. Witt, J. W. Jackson and W. F. Nichols.

Article 12. Voted to choose a committee to be known as the Committee on Appropriations. The following were chosen: M. G. Ward, E. A. Fuller and Peter Hanifin.

Article 13. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to shingle and make other necessary repairs at the town farm.

Article 14. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,440.00 in accordance with the article in the warrant.

(To be used with an allotment of \$3,000.00 from the State Department of Public Works in the repairs of highways under the provision of Chapter 155 of the Acts of 1918.)

Article 15. Voted to indefinitely postpone action in regard to the purchase of a road scraper.

Article 18. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75.00 in accordance with the article in the warrant.

(Note. Memorial Day appropriation to be expended under the direction of Chauncey Walker Post No. 239, American Legion, instead of E. J. Griggs' Post, G. A. R. as heretofore.)

Article 20. Voted to choose a committee to have charge of an Old Home Day and the following were chosen: M. A. Morse, E. E. Sargent, George E. Scott, R. E. Fairchild, Mrs. Roy G. Shaw, Mrs. H. F. Curtis and Mrs. J. J. Garvey.

Article 19. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to pay for the transportation of pupils from the south part of the town attending the High school.

Article 3. At 6 o'clock P. M., the counting of the ballots being completed, the clerk announced as follows: Whole

number of votes cast, males, 310; females 0.

Town Clerk, Arthur Bridgman, 215 votes, 95 blanks.

Selectmen, Rudd E. Fairchild, 159 votes; Frederick M. Fuller, 132 votes; John J. Garvey, 210 votes; Walter D. E. Morse, 211 votes; Edwin F. Shumway, 100 votes; 118 blanks.

Treasurer, Wilbur F. Nichols, 265 votes; 45 blanks.

Assessor for three years, Frank E. Austin, 97 votes; Henry H. Witt, 196 votes; 17 blanks.

Tax Collector, Addison R. Kidder, 139 votes; Dwight F. Shumway, 162 votes; 9 blanks.

School Committee for three years, E. Clifton Witt, 249 votes; 61 blanks.

Constables

Michael F. Austin, 198 votes; Myron S. Barton*, 207 votes; Michael E. Cavanaugh, 103 votes; Clarence E. George, 80 votes; Addison R. Kidder, 159 votes; James A. Peeso, 134 votes; Edward B. Parent, 96 votes; Dwight F. Shumway*, 146 votes; Leon E. Williams*, 187 votes; 260 blanks.

(*took oath of office.)

Burial Ground Commissioner, C. Roy Aldrich, 179 votes; Dwight F. Shumway, 105 votes; 26 blanks.

Highway Surveyor, Edgar C. Witt, 258 votes; 52 blanks.

Liquor License, Yes, 170 votes; No, 99 votes; 41 blanks.

Meeting dissolved at 6.30 o'clock p. m.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

NOTE—The explanations in brackets following Articles 9, 14 and 18 are not part of the records of the meeting but were added to this report for the information of voters.

W. E. SHAW, *Town Clerk*

Special Town Meeting, July 6, 1920

Articles in the warrant and doings of the town at said meeting

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Doings: George H. B. Green chosen moderator.

Article 2. To see if the town will accept the legacy under the will of Whiting Street, late of Northampton, Mass., for the relief and comfort of the worthy poor of this town who shall not be in the almshouse nor be paupers, upon the terms and conditions set forth in said will and to keep the principal fund paid to it good, to expend the income of said fund annually for the purpose mentioned in said will and for no other purpose.

Article 3. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen or any other person or persons to be their agents in all matters relating to said will with full power to act for the town.

Doings: Voted that the selectmen represent the town as its agents in all matters relating to the will of Whiting Street with full power to act for the town as in their judgment may be expedient.

Article 4. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to sell the East Hill schoolhouse or take any action relative thereto.

Doings: Voted to indefinitely postpone action.

Article 5. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to sell part of the tract of land on which the Union school-house is situated.

Doings: Voted to indefinitely postpone action.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to be expended in the repairs of bridges.

Doings: Voted to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to be expended in the repairs of bridges.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 for the school department.

Doings: Voted to raise and appropriate \$3,500 for the school department.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125.00 for the Tax Collector's account.

Doings: Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125 for the tax collector's account.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75.00 for the insurance account.

Doings: Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75.00 for the insurance account.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to accept the Act of 1920 in regard to sports on Sunday or act relative thereto.

Doings: Voted to accept the Act of 1920 in regard to sports on Sunday.

Meeting dissolved at 9.30 p. m.

A. BRIDGMAN, *Town Clerk*

Appointive Officers

For the town of Belchertown for 1920

Fence Viewers

A. J. Rowe

~~A. R. Kidder~~

Henry McKillop

William Sullivan

Field Drivers

~~E. E. Fiske~~

George R. Davis

R. L. Weston

D. C. Randall

H. F. Putnam

E. F. Flaherty

D. C. Nutting

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Charles F. Austin

Registrars of Voters

~~Fred F. Dewey*~~

~~Roy G. Shaw~~

*Frank E. Austin
for 3 years*

Caretaker of Town Clock

George B. Jackson

Chief of Fire Department

~~H. F. Shaw~~

J. J. Fairchild

Forest Fire Warden

H. F. Shaw

Public Weighers

R. E. Fairchild

D. D. Hazen

Frank S. Morris
 Arthur E. Warner
 R. E. Chamberlain
 E. A. Fuller
 P. J. Brown

+ Wm. Kimball Jr.

Deputy Forest Fire Wardens (appointed by fire warden)

~~William Colgrove~~
 Guy C. Allen, Jr.
 Clayton R. Green
 Eugene F. Flaherty

*Harry E. Sessions
 Raymond L. Goodell*

Inspectors of Meat

~~Henry Baggs~~
 James Moriarty
 Fred Burnett
 M. F. Austin

Harry Conkey

Special Police

M. J. Collins

Town Accountant

William E. Shaw

Constable

Guy C. Allen, Jr.*

Town Clerk

William E. Shaw*

*to fill vacancy

*Inspector of Cattle & Parns.
 James A. Peers -
 " J. H. E. E. Howard -*

Assessors' Report

Valuation of real estate	\$ 856,700.00	
“ personal estate	317,170.00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 1,173,870.00

RATE OF TAXATION, \$ 30 PER THOUSAND

Tax on real estate	\$ 25,701.00	
“ personal estate	9,515.10	
Poll tax	2,585.00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 37,801.10

WE HAVE ASSESSED TAXES AS FOLLOWS

Appropriations	\$ 45,465.00	
State tax	3,360.00	
County tax	2,261.39	
State highway tax	322.80	
Special state tax	158.40	
State bonus poll tax	1,551.00	
Overlay	1,096.06	
	<u> </u>	
	\$ 54,214.65	
Estimated revenue	16,413.55	
	<u> </u>	\$ 37,801.10
Added assessments	\$ 169.50	
Number of acres land assessed	32,687	
“ horses	457	
“ cows	1,205	
“ sheep	5	
“ neat cattle other than cows	462	
“ swine	199	
“ fowls	7,515	

Residents assessed on property	562
Non- " " " "	155
Polls only	159
Received as assessors, A. L. Pratt	\$ 140. Car fare \$ 1.40
H. H. Witt	140.
C. R. Green	140.

ALMON L. PRATT
 CLAYTON R. GREEN
 HENRY H. WITT

Assessors of Belchertown

Report of Town Clerk

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1920

Births recorded during year					34
Males					17
Females					17
Of native born parentage					19
Of foreign born parentage					7
Of one native born and one foreign born parents					8
Marriages recorded					23
Intentions filed					23
First marriages, males	20,	females	20,		
Second " "	2,	"	2,		
Third " "	1,	"	1.		
Youngest male married					19
Youngest female					17
Oldest male					61
Oldest female					58
Deaths recorded					30
Males					15
Females					15
Native born					22
Foreign born					8
Number of mortgages recorded	9,	mortgages discharged	2,		
Assignments of mortgages	2,	bills of sale	3,	notes	2,
Dogs licensed					
Males,	195 at \$2.00				\$390.00

Females 11 at \$5.00 \$ 55.00

\$ 445.00

Paid the above (less fees) to County Treasurer.

The attention of parents and others is called to the following vital statistics. It is earnestly requested that the public make every effort co-operate with the Clerk in making corrections in and additions to the records.

BIRTHS

- Jan. 1 Thomas Bennett Sherman to Thomas J. and Mary C. Morrison.
- Jan. 1 John Donald Burnham to Elisha and Maybell Bowler.
- Jan. 21 Robert Maynard Witt to Edgar Clifton and Anna May Coleman.
- Jan. 23 Lena Marion Gollenbusch to Martin and Elsie Rogers.
- Jan. 24 Nancy Stone to Philip W. and Fannie Boyle.
- Jan. 28 Chestly Irvin Crump to Sylvanus and Jennie L. Bracey.
- Jan. 31 Pearle McLean to James and Rose Henreckson.
- Feb. 8 John Adam Garnet to Joseph and Monica Lucket.
- Feb. 16 Edith Ruth Newbury to George Wilbur and Mildred Clark.
- Mar. 12 Rachel Emma Fuller to Edward A. and Sarah Dillon.
- Mar. 12 Stefka Smola to Peter and Katie Swialik.
- Mar. 31 Harold Racherd Fay to John David and Addie Mary.
- Apr. 12 Ruth Jeanette Chamberlain to Robert E. and Jeanette Halstead.
- Apr. 18 Warren Emery Armitage to John W. and Zella Pratt.
- Apr. 19 Ruth Evelyn Chapman to Charles A. and Elizabeth A. Hall.
- May 28 Geneva Pearl Pierce to Rufus H. and Lillian Brown.
- May 30 Lawrence Clarence George to Clarence and Emma Johnson.

- June 2 Franciszek Labida to Jan and Bronislaw Krupa.
 June 4 Spencer Lee Holt to Ellery C. and Ada Bolter.
 June 11 Wladyslaw Bigda Antoni and Viktoria Balor.
 June 22 Harold Douglas Kimball to Harold E. and Louise Davis.
 June 26 Kenneth Lounsbury Collard to James L. and Ninfa C. Galindo.
 June 26 Maryang Reota Farley to Henry A. and Maryan Demers.
 July 6 Andrew Theodore Sears to Andrew J. and Lillian Barter.
 July 11 James Aris Robinson to James H. and Maude Trask.
 Aug. 7 Timothy Michael Sullivan to Timothy and Elizabeth A. Howard.
 Aug. 28 Herbert Dennis Hines to Dennis and Fannie Pierce.
 Sept. 22 Barbara Winter Sessions to Harry and Eldora A. Winter.
 Oct. 8 Helen Mary McKillop to Michael and Anna M. Falvey.
 Nov. 6 Julia Zofia Zwodz to Zan and Marya Stryach.
 Nov. 18 Lillian Catherine Germain to Adelphis and Catherine Morgan.
 Dec. 17 Ellen Syper to Zan and Marya Nikodem.
 Dec. 19 Richard Franklin Alden to Merton and Edna S. Richards.
 Dec. 22 Lillian Constance Corey to Adelbert and Frances L. Hawkins.

MARRIAGES

- Jan. 25 Charles G. Trainor and Charlotte S. Kenfield Cook.
 Feb. 1 Edwin F. Shumway and Nina I. Atkins.
 22 Henry D. Hoag and Effie Grace Green.
 May 4 Dennis Edward Hines and Fannie Pierce.
 24 Paul Nahoviriak and Stafania Marza.
 29 Clifton M. Hamilton and Mary E. Doane.

June	5	Frederick D. Parker and Ella R. Merriam.
	28	Burnace E. Dwight and Hosanna O. Jerome.
	30	George S. Gay and Mildred M. Terwilliger.
July	27	Peter Puta and Nellie Wallace.
	27	Stanley Wortena and Bridget Wallace.
Aug.	11	Alvan R. Lewis Jr. and Marian P. Webster.
	14	Vernon Leroy Bardwell and Edna B. (Sprouse) Butterfly.
Sept.	2	Lincoln A. Cook and Alena A. Peck.
	29	Paul Harry Barrett and Dorothy Payson Hooper.
Oct.	5	Peter Godek and Nellie Labus.
Nov.	3	Felix J. Pilon and Katie Louise Quirk.
	6	Harold Milo Alden and Sarah Banta Demarest.
	9	Hollis Ray Collins and Clara Marguerite Brown.
	22	Elmer Everett Peeso and Iva Green White.
	23	Cornelius Sullivan and Lucy Veronica Hanifin.
Dec.	10	Emory Elworth Grayson and Susie Eloise Squires.
	26	Louaine Squires and Myra Dodge.

DEATHS

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
Jan.	4 Mary Susanna Stone	75	8	9
	26 Eliza Jane Chambers	67	9	1
Feb.	14 Mary Thomas Shea	58		
	23 Gardner D. Blackmer	80	2	21
Mar.	1 Ida Frances King	50	1	25
	1 Julia O. Connor	83		
Apr.	7 Lillian W. Damon	55	10	17
	15 Melvin Curtis Bardwell	63	0	19
	23 Rupee Bachelder Hawkins	73	9	15
June	25 Lafayette W. Goodell	68	7	25
July	20 Burnace Elliot Dwight	23	0	21
	25 Charles L. Loveland	67	10	29
	30 Bridget Beatty	95		

Date	Name	Years	Months	Days
Aug. 17	Martha E. Hawkes	80	5	22
28	Hjalmer Ernest Volley	36	9	
28	Simon Kelley	95	5	15
Sept. 30	Clara Levina Dwight	50	3	2
30	Ira E. Damon	64	0	19
Oct. 25	Arthur Bridgman	74	4	4
25	Irene Humphrey	58	5	15
26	Alcyzoi Signar	0	11	10
Nov. 8	Josiah Jenks Green	91	2	3
14	William H. Grout	78	3	20
15	Cynthia E. White	79	9	21
30	Leon Eurkus	5	8	12
Dec. 7	Patrick Mahaney	78		
9	Betsy Josephine Clark	76	11	3
20	Alfred Clark Underwood	82	10	11
21	Mary Griffin	86	6	5
26	Katherine Kulig	46		

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. SHAW,

Town Clerk

Funds Accepted by the Town

For the Care of Cemetery Lots

1887	Mar.	19	Susan M. Longley	\$200.00
	July	30	Mrs. H. S. Bridgman	100.00
1895	Mar.	28	S. D. Goddard	100.00
1896	Jan.	4	Irene Chandler	100.00
1898	July	2	Eliza S. Longley	100.00
1891	July	3	Lyman Sabin	100.00
	July	11	Olive M. Adams	50.00
1901	Mar.	21	Maria H. Moody	100.00
1906	June	5	Mrs. A. J. Heath	100.00
	June	30	Mrs. Nancy Graves	100.00
1907	May	6	Harriet M. Taylor	63.81
	Aug.	22	Orrin Walker	50.00
	Aug.	24	Mrs. C. D. Williams	50.00
	Aug.	24	Jason Shumway	100.00
	Dec.	30	Luther Shaw	50.00
1908	Jan.	1	Daniel Marsh	50.00
	Mar.	30	Myron Lawrence	100.00
	Apr.	23	Lyman Rice	100.00
	May	25	Kirk J. Thurston	200.00
	June	16	Otis Wiley	50.00
	June	16	Emeline Hunt	50.00
1909	Jan.	2	Harriet Longley	500.00
	Mar.	30	Mrs. N. A. Carr	50.00
	Mar.	30	Mrs. L. M. Gray	50.00
	Mar.	30	Mrs. D. P. Clapp	400.00
	May	18	Willard A. Stebbins	100.00

	June	10	Israel Town	\$ 200.00
	Nov.	5	D. V. Fuller	100.00
1910	Jan.	3	Charles Dickinson	50.00
	Apr.	13	Harriet E. Eaton	100.00
1911	Feb.	1	Harriet E. Eaton	92.76
	Nov.	9	Mrs. Loman A. Burnett	100.00
1912	June	19	Mrs. Sarah L. Shattuck	50.00
1913	Jan.	13	Harriet and Elihu Root	75.00
	Mar.	11	Estate of E. B. Hitchcock	100.00
	Apr.	28	{ Lydia Ely Stebbins { Josiah Cowles { Ichabod Sanford	150.00
	May	7	O. S. Miller	50.00
	July	10	Lyman Arnold	50.00
	July	11	Emeline P. Hawk	50.00
	July	15	Edward W. Burnett	50.00
	Aug.	3	Laura Sabin	50.00
1914	Jan.	21	Mrs. H. L. Boyden and Chas. Dwight	50.00
	Apr.	16	Emma M. Moulton	100.00
	Apr.	24	Platt T. Slaughter	50.00
1915	Feb.	26	William B. Owen	50.00
	June	10	Edmand Willis	50.00
	July	20	Mary M. Hyde	50.00
1916	May	15	Mary E. Leach	50.00
	June	28	Mary Shumway	100.00
1917	Mar.	28	Lydia A. Barton	50.00
	May	17	Ira E. Damon	50.00
1918	June	21	A. D. Randall	100.00
	June	21	N. J. Lane	50.00
	June	21	John W. Walker	50.00
	Sept.	20	Henry Kelsey	75.00
	Nov.	1	Oliver Shannon	100.00
	Nov.	30	Abbie S. Walker	50.00
1919	July	1	M. S. Barton	50.00
	Oct.	1	Eunice Bardwell	50.00
	Oct.	1	B. L. Towne	50.00

	Nov.	1	B. W. Ayres	\$ 75.00
	Dec.	31	Wellington Walker	100.00
1920	Feb.	6	Elizabeth R. Bridgman	100.00
	Mar.	1	Armenia Munsell	100.00
	Aug.	1	L. Whitney Searle	200.00
	Sept.	1	W. P. Smith	50.00
	Sept.	1	Orrin Walker	50.00
	Dec.	10	Susan Chapman	50.00

Total \$ 6,181.57

1898 May 5 S. M. D. Bridgman Cemetery Fund 200.00

W. E. SHAW,

Town Accountant

Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Balance from last year		\$ 4,529.01
Rec'd from State Treasurer		
income tax 1917	\$30.00	
" " 1918	36.00	
" " 1919	720.00	
" " 1920	1,080.00	
" " school fund	5,015.00	
school fund	4,579.75	
school superintendent	900.00	
vocational trust fund	33.33	
tuition of state wards	807.45	
temporary aid	1,273.53	
mothers' aid	407.73	
highways	19,180.77	
state aid	1,410.40	
inspection of animals	75.00	
corporation tax 1918	10.19	
" " public service	206.49	
" " domestic	1,052.00	
bank tax	313.77	
tax reimbursement	326.54	
soldiers' exemption	132.33	
public welfare	6.60	
	—————	\$37,596.88
Rec'd from D. F. Shumway, tax collector		
taxes of 1919	\$ 5,998.90	
" " 1920	29,824.18	

Rec'd poll tax of 1920	\$ 2,600.00	
		\$38,423.08
Rec'd from Amherst National Bank		
revenue loans	\$21,000.00	
interest on deposits	121.61	
refund of discount	22.00	
		\$21,143.61
Rec'd from interest on trust funds		
Susan M. Bridgman, poor fund	\$350.00	
" " " cemetery fund	10.12	
Calvin Bridgman, library fund	202.50	
" " school fund	303.75	
Longley music fund	85.00	
cemetery funds	265.35	
		\$1,216.72
Rec'd for perpetual care funds		
estate Elizabeth Bridgman	\$100.00	
" L. Whitney Searle	200.00	
" Susan Chapman	50.00	
Juliette W. Sikes, Orrin Walker lot	50.00	
W. D. Goold, Wm. P. Smith lot	50.00	
H. H. Ward, Munsell lot	100.00	
		\$550.00
Rec'd on town farm account		
James Peeso, 1918 account	\$ 5.50	
E. Clifton Witt	3,567.65	
		\$3,573.15
Rec'd for licenses and fees		
pool	\$ 7.00	
James Sullivan, butcher's license	1.00	
John Stadler " "	1.00	
James Garvey " "	1.00	
Clarence Hubbard " "	1.00	
Henry Baggs " "	1.00	
Abraham Cohen, junk "	5.00	

Abraham Elinsky junk, license	\$ 5.00
David Scanfield " "	5.00
Meyer Suher " "	5.00
A. Suher " "	5.00
B. Superman " "	5.00
Steven Margolis " "	5.00
R. E. Fairchild, auct. " "	2.00
M. J. Garvey " "	2.00
Harold Allen, auto dealer's " "	5.00
Fred Fuller " " "	5.00
D. D. Hazen " " "	10.00
H. B. Ketchen " " "	5.00
C. F. Austin, Sealer's fees	20.52
John A. Crosier, fines in court	30.00
	\$126.52

Rec'd from sundry sources

D. D. Hazen, insurance adjustment	\$25.00
Dalton Machine Co., use of telephone	.65
C. R. Green, estate of Wm. Bell	25.00
E. C. Witt, wood at Laurel school	24.00
H. F. Shaw, use of fire truck	1.00
E. A. Allen, hospital expense	128.57
F. B. Purdy, use of town hall	45.00
town of Enfield, tuition	87.50
J. M. Hibbard, district nurse	50.50
Helen K. Judd, " "	27.85
Joseph Lebida, entering sewer	25.00
J. Bothwell, fire claim	1.80
Boston & Maine R. R., fire claim	29.90
" " " ties	595.20
County Treasurer, dog tax	261.72
	1,328.69
	\$108,487.66

PAYMENTS.

Seventy warrants authorized by the selectmen as shown by the	
town accountant's report	\$103,326.07
Balance due Dec. 31, 1920	5,161.59
	————— 108,487.66

W. F. NICHOLS, *Treasurer*

Report of the Public Health Nurse

As district and school nurse, I present the following report for my term of service, June 15, 1920 to January 1, 1921:

From January 1st to April 1st of the past year the work was carried on by Miss Jessie M. Hibbard. For the period from April to June no nurse was on duty.

In Belchertown, the work of the Public Health Nurse is in two divisions, District Nursing and School Service.

I. DISTRICT NURSING.

The simple system of records purchased by permission of the Selectmen has a card for each patient visited. These cards show the following totals:

Number of patients	63.
Number of nursing visits	171.
Fees collected	\$78.35

II. SCHOOL SERVICE.

Work already started in the schools has been continued. The pupils were given an individual inspection and certain cases in each room were referred to the school physician. Sixty-four of the children examined by the doctor were found to have enlarged tonsils. Their parents have either been notified of these defects or a home visit has been made urging corrective measures.

The attention of parents has also been called to the state law making vaccination compulsory. In most cases co-operation has been secured and the desired results obtained.

It is hoped that the time is not far distant when a water supply

will be provided for each rural school. The difficulty of carrying water from the homes of neighbors and the lack of suitable or adequate washing facilities present a serious problem from the point of view of all who desire to see the formation of habits of personal cleanliness promoted and encouraged.

Another problem which needs practical solution is that of furnishing a warm drink, such as cocoa, for children who bring their lunches. At present, conditions are such that this seems almost hopeless of attainment, but suggestions which may lead to a working out of the problem would be appreciated.

In certain rural districts where opportunity has been granted for weighing and measuring pupils, a survey has been made, which shows that a large number are under weight. It is interesting to note that, in some cases where a warm drink, such as cocoa, has been provided, the children have been glad to avail themselves of this opportunity and the results showed a marked improvement in their general health.

Conservation of the information and results secured during the past half year is made possible by a health record purchased with approval of the School Committee. This provides space for notes during each year of a pupil's school life, and, in the event of a change of nurses, this record, in permanent form, will be available for the guidance of a new worker.

Through the generous co-operation of the Hampshire Co. Chapter of the Red Cross, the use of a car has been furnished until February 1st, greatly increasing the scope and effectiveness of the nursing service.

I wish to thank the school committee, the superintendent, the school physician, teachers and parents for their co-operation, and the citizens generally for the interest they have shown.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN K. JUDD,

Public Health Nurse

December, 1920.

Collector's Report

Balance in Collector's hands, Jan. 1, 1920, for taxes for 1919	\$6,103.93
He has collected interest to the amount of	185.82
Total	\$6,289.75
He has collected and paid the treasurer including \$174.43 for abatements	\$6,173.33
Balance in collector's hands Jan. 1, 1921 for taxes for 1919	116.42
Total	\$6,289.75
The amount committed to your collector as per as- sessor's warrant dated May 17, 1920, for poll taxes	\$2,585.00
Added assessments	15.00
Total	\$2,600.00
He has collected and paid the treasurer	2,600.00
The amount committed to your collector as per assessor's warrant dated Sept. 9, 1920, for property taxes	\$35,216.10
Added assessments	154.50
Interest collected from Oct. 15, 1920 to Jan. 1, 1921	42.12
Total	\$35,412.72
He has collected and paid the treasurer	29,824.18
Balance in collector's hands	\$5,588.54

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Collector*

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

Sealing 5 platform scales over 5,000 pounds	\$5.00
“ 10 “ “ under “ “	10.00
“ 4 computing scales	.12
“ 18 other scales	.54
“ 86 weights	2.58
“ 20 liquid measures	.60
“ 8 oil pumps	1.20
“ 2 molasses pumps	.42
„ 2 linear measures	.06
	\$20.52
Fees paid the treasurer	\$20.52

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. AUSTIN,

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Report of Appropriations Committee

The committee of appropriations recommend as follows:

For Legislative expenses	\$50.00
Selectmen	425.00
Treasurer	225.00
Accountant	225.00
Clerk	225.00
Bond for Clerk	10.00
Certification of notes	10.00
Tax Collector	250.00
Assessors	470.00
Law	75.00
Election and Registration	200.00
Town Hall	175.00
Police	175.00
Fire Department	100.00
Forest Fires	200.00
Tree Warden	100.00
Moth Suppression	25.00
Health	500.00
Nurse	1,400.00
Highways	1,500.00
Bridges	1,000.00
Chapter 155 (highways)	4,440.00
Oiling Streets	100.00
Street Signs	100.00
Street Lights	1,500.00
Poor	3,000.00
State Aid	1,000.00

Schools	\$ 25,000.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	70.00
Unclassified	175.00
Town clock	100.00
Insurance	1,000.00
Memorial Day	75.00
Interest	400.00
Cemeteries	250.00
Reserve Fund	1,500.00
Farm Bureau	50.00
	————— \$46,700.00

EDWARD A. FULLER

MYRON G. WARD

Committee on Appropriations.

Report of Town Accountant

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND BALANCES

Account	Appropriation	Reserve Transfers	Available Receipts	Expended	Balance
Legislative	\$50.00			\$28.05	\$21.95
Selectmen	425.00			418.56	6.44
Accountant	225.00			224.50	.50
Treasurer	225.00			224.55	.45
Clerk	225.00			225.00	
Bond for Clerk	10.00				10.00
Adding machine	125.00			125.00	
Certification of notes	10.00			6.00	4.00
Collector	375.00			375.00	
Assessors	470.00			470.00	
Law	75.00			39.08	35.92
Election and Registration	200.00	\$50.00		250.00	
Town Hall	175.00		\$45.65	209.33	11.32
Police	175.00		36.00	210.40	1.20
Fire Department	100.00			98.43	1.57
Forest Fires	200.00		32.70	184.40	48.30
Moth Suppression	40.00			20.00	20.00
Tree Warden	100.00			100.00	
Sealer of W. & M.	70.00			63.37	6.63

Health	500.00	203.57	665.38	38.19
Nurse	1,000.00		850.90	149.10
Chapter 155	4,440.00	3,000.00*	7,439.91	.09
Highways	1,500.00	1,200.00	2,700.00	
Bridges	1,000.00		675.45	324.55
Oiling Streets	100.00			100.00
Street Lights	1,325.00		1,312.56	12.44
Bondsville Road	1,000.00		997.89	2.11
Street Signs	100.00		6.88	93.12
Poor	3,000.00	5,899.61	6,802.86	2,096.75
State Aid	1,200.00		1,162.00	38.00
Town Farm Repairs	500.00	246.50	738.35	8.15
Schools	23,500.00	499.97	23,776.83	223.14
“ Transportation	500.00		500.00	
Clock	100.00		64.00	36.00
Insurance	475.00		475.00	
Unclassified	175.00		173.93	1.07
Farm Bureau	50.00		50.00	
Memorial Day	75.00		75.00	
Cemeteries	250.00		176.60	73.40
Interest	400.00	143.61	469.17	74.44
Reserve	1,000.00	499.79†	1,496.50	3.29
Totals	\$45,465.00	\$10,361.50	\$53,880.88	\$3,442.12

*Of which \$600.00 is due from the Commonwealth

†Balance from 1919 Reserve

CLASSIFICATION OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE

Taxes, 1919	\$ 5,813.08
Taxes, 1920	29,782.06
Taxes, poll, 1920,	2,600.00
Income tax, 1917	30.00
Income tax, 1918	36.00
Income tax, 1919	720.00
Income tax, 1920, general	1,080.00
Income tax, 1920, schools	5,015.00
Corporation tax, 1918	10.19
Corporation tax, 1920 public service	206.49
National bank tax	313.77
Corporation tax, 1920, domestic	1,052.00
Junk licenses	35.00
Pool "	7.00
Auctioneer's licenses	4.00
Butcher's "	5.00
Automobile dealers' licenses	25.00
Court fines	30.00
Massachusetts school fund	4,579.75
Vocational educational trust fund	33.33
Institution land tax	326.54
Highways, Chapter 155, Acts of 1918	2,400.00
Dog licenses	261.72
Soldier's exemptions	132.33
Massachusetts superintendency fund	900.00
Total general revenue	—————\$55,398.26

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

Town hall	
use of telephone	.65
rent	45.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures, fee	20.52

Reimbursement for returning state wards	\$6.60	
Use of fire truck	1.00	
Forest fires	31.70	
Support of tuberculosis case	128.57	
Nurses' fees	78.35	
Inspection of cattle, from state	75.00	
Sewer entrance fee	25.00	
Enfield highway construction	16,780.77	
Town farm, sale of produce	3,567.65	
Insurance	25.00	
Ties	595.20	
1918 bill	5.50	
Sale of pauper's property	25.00	
Reimbursements for relief from State		
Temporary Aid	1,273.53	
Mother's Aid	407.73	
State Aid	1,410.40	
Tuition of state wards	807.45	
Other tuition	87.50	
Sale of school wood	24.00	
	—————	\$25,422.12

INTEREST

Deposits	121.61	
Taxes of 1919	185.82	
Taxes of 1920	45.12	
Cemetery perpetual care funds	275.47	
Discounts on notes	22.00	
Susan Bridgman poor fund	350.00	
Bridgman High school fund	303.75	
Bridgman library fund	202.50	
Longley music fund	85.00	
Total for interest	—————	1,588.27
REVENUE LOANS	21,000.00	21,000.00
PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS	550.00	550.00
CASH DECEMBER 31, 1919	4,529.01	4,529.01

GRAND TOTAL OF RECEIPTS \$108,487.66

EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Legislative

Moderator	\$ 8.00	
Expenses to hearings	20.05	\$28.05

Selectmen salary

	25.00	
Salaries	325.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	7.11	
Carfare and automobile hire	51.45	
Typewriting warrants	10.00	418.56

Treasurer

Salary	156.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	40.22	
Bond	25.00	
Adding machine	3.33	224.55

Clerk

Salary	100.00	
Recording fees, 1919	58.40	
Recording fees, 1920	40.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	18.35	
Administering oaths	8.25	225.00

Accountant

Salary	200.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	15.16	
Moving safe	6.00	
Adding machine	3.34	224.50

Tax Collector

Salary	325.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	50.00	375.00

Assessors

Salaries 1920	420.00	
Salaries 1919	20.00	
Register transfers	13.95	

Adding machine	\$ 3.33	
Printing, stationery and postage	12.72	\$ 470.00
Certification of notes	6.00	6.00
Adding machine	125.00	125.00
Law		
Counsel fees	39.08	39.08
Election and Registration		
Election officers	158.03	
Registrars	78.32	
Rent		
Meals for election officers	3.75	
Voters' lists	9.90	250.00
Town Hall		
Janitor	89.45	
Fuel	40.05	
Lights	27.11	
Janitors' supplies	.15	
Repairs	2.60	
Telephone	49.97	209.33
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY		
Police		
Court fees	169.80	
Constables' services and expenses	34.60	
Traffic light	6.00	210.40
Fire Department		
Care of engine house	13.00	
Repairs and parts for apparatus	14.62	
Soda	7.04	
Gasoline	5.00	
Fuel	20.94	
Repairs on building	23.13	
Keys	2.10	
Lights	8.70	
Watchman at fire	4.00	98.43

Sealer of Weights and Measures		
Supplies	\$ 3.37	
Salary	60.00	\$ 63.37
Forestry		
Moth suppression		
Labor and teams	20.00	20.00
Tree Warden		
Labor and team	100.00	100.00
Forest Fires		
Amherst Fire Department	40.30	
Printing	2.75	
Fighting fires	141.35	184.40
Health		
Auto hire	3.00	
Vital statistics	17.00	
Support of tuberculosis case	128.53	
Fumigation	33.40	
Cards	1.15	
Diagnosis	15.00	
Inspection of animals	150.00	
Inspection of meat	317.30	665.38
Nurse		
Salary Jan.1 to April 1	300.00	
Salary June 15 to December 31	487.50	
Expenses to April 1		
Supplies	10.36	
Carfare and auto hire	36.66	
Telephone	2.65	
Expenses from June 15 to December 31		
Carfare	6.02	
Supplies	2.18	
Telephone	5.53	850.90
Highways		

Bondsville road

Labor	\$ 319.50	
Teams	532.00	
Dynamite	21.89	
Culvert	49.10	
Gravel	75.40	\$ 997.89

General

1918 bill	42.00	
Printing payrolls	8.00	
Ice and snow removal	2,303.66	
Tile	9.42	

Bridges

Salaries and wages	380.63	
Lumber	161.01	
Ware River bridge	212.57	
Labor	77.00	
Teams	124.35	
Sewers	35.00	
Street signs	6.88	
Street lights	1,312.56	
Watering troughs	11.25	
Miscellaneous	10.56	4,694.89

Chapter 155, Acts of 1918

Labor	3,359.70	
Teams	2,481.28	
Tractor	677.50	
Gravel	16.00	
Scraper	348.00	
Repairs on scraper	16.05	
Culverts	434.42	
Tools	52.74	
Freight	10.32	
Dynamite	43.90	7,439.91

Enfield Highway

Labor	13,491.13	
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Teams	\$ 5,885.45	
Stone and gravel	75.72	
Culverts	430.02	
Dynamite	35.46	
Coal	181.64	
Stakes	12.50	
Tools	25.45	
Pipe	9.00	
Freight	10.00	
Steel	81.00	
Cement	132.00	
Lumber	90.00	
Fence	30.00	
All other	72.96	\$20,562.33

POOR

Outside Relief

Automobile hire	9.00	
Making state reports	10.00	
Clothing	132.23	
Coal and wood	54.00	
Board and care	833.13	
Medicine and medical attendance	43.50	
Cash (including aid from the Whiting		
Street and Susan Bridgman poor funds)	591.00	
Rent	100.00	
Mothers' aid	1,124.28	
Relief by city of Holyoke	5.00	
Relief by town of Ware	10.00	2,912.14

Town Farm

Warden's salary	674.97	
Other employees	138.20	
Groceries and provisions	847.43	
Dry goods and clothing	37.06	
Grain	1,651.97	
Telephone	15.52	

Medical attendance	\$ 3.50	
Ordinary repairs	25.12	
Harness repairs	41.02	
Blacksmithing	80.70	
Sawing lumber	10.40	
Pigs	30.00	
Bull	25.00	
Fertilizer	32.50	
Ice	21.60	
Wagon	35.00	
Tedder	62.50	
Veterinary service	14.00	
Miscellaneous	78.98	\$ 3,825.47
Chopping and getting out ties	278.05	
Hauling 800 ties at 23 cents	184.00	462.05
Town farm repairs' account		
Labor	303.38	
Material	434.97	738.35
State Aid	1,162.00	1,162.00
Schools		
Committee salaries	120.00	
Superintendent salary	1,548.00	
" expenses	68.33	
Truant officer, 1919	30.00	
" " 1920	30.00	
Stationery, printing and postage	4.72	
Telephone	3.38	
Traveling expenses	25.75	
Physician	35.00	
Teachers' salaries	13,077.02	
Books	1,651.27	
Supplies	17.19	
Tuition	133.50	
Transportation	3,318.80	

Janitors	\$ 940.50	
Fuel	1,336.05	
Repairs	1,812.51	
Janitors' supplies	33.67	
Diplomas and graduation exercises	20.00	
Miscellaneous printing	7.14	
Water rent	39.00	
School census	25.00	\$24,276.83
Unclassified		
Memorial day	75.00	
Care of clock	64.00	
printing town reports and ballots	164.83	
Envelopes for reports	6.10	
Insurance	475.00	
Flag pole repairs	3.00	
Farm Bureau	50.00	837.93
Cemeteries		
Commissioners' salaries 1920	20.00	
" " 1919	5.00	
Labor	151.60	176.60
Interest on Revenue Loans	469.17	469.17
Revenue Loans	21,000.00	21,000.00
Agency, trust and investment		
County Tax	2,261.39	
State Tax	3,360.00	
Special State Tax	158.40	
Civilian War Poll Tax	1,551.00	
State Highway Tax	322.80	
Perpetual Care Funds to Amherst		
Savings Bank	550.00	
Care of funded lots in cemeteries	275.00	8,478.59
Transfers		
Calvin Bridgman Library Fund to		
Clapp Memorial Library	192.25	

Dog license fund to library	\$ 261.72	
Susan Bridgman fund to library	50.00	\$ 503.97
Cash on hand December 31, 1920		5,161.59
Grand Total		\$108,487.66
Reserve Fund Transfers		
Reserve Fund to Highways	\$1,200.00	
“ “ “ Town Farm repairs	246.50	
“ “ “ Election and		
Registration	50.00	\$1,496.50

BALANCE SHEET

Dec. 31, 1920

ASSETS

Cash

General	\$ 4,577. 31	
Trust Fund	584.28	\$ 5,161.59

Accounts Receivable

Taxes of 1919	116.42	
Taxes of 1920	5,588.54	5,704.96

Departmental Bills

Enfield Highway Appropriation	2,000.00	
“ “ Construction deficit	2,249.90	
“ “ 15% reserve, 1917	515.42	
State Chapter 155, Acts of 1918	600.00	
“ Mothers' Aid	180.67	
“ Temporary Aid	248.89	
State Aid	1,162.00	6,956.88

Overdrawn Accounts

Chaper 155, Acts of 1918	599.91	
Enfield highway account	2,249.90	2,849.81

 \$20,673.24

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Cash and securities	\$22,114.32	\$22,114.32
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LIABILITIES

Overlayings balance, levy of 1919	\$ 116.42	
" " " 1920	1,096.06	
Overlayings reserve	638.85	\$1,851.33
Surplus Revenue		
1918 balance	2,962.37	
1919	5,335.18	
1920	4,387.25	12,684.80
Appropriations balances		
Enfield highway, 1916 contract	592.66	
Reserve fund	3.29	595.95
Departmental Revenue	4,956.88	4,956.88
Trust fund income balances		
Susan Bridgman poor fund	381.31	
Calvin Bridgman library fund	202.50	
Cemetery perpetual care fund	.47	584.28
		\$20,673.24

TRUST ACCOUNTS

G. D. Longley, music fund	\$2,219.94	
Calvin Bridgman, library fund	4,000.00	
Calvin Bridgman, high school fund	6,000.00	
Susan Bridgman, poor fund	3,500.00	
Susan Bridgman, cemetery fund	200.00	
Cemetery perpetual care funds	6,194.38	\$22,114.32

OUTSTANDING BILLS, DECEMBER 31, 1920
chargeable to accounts with insufficient balances

Due	Account	Items	Amount
W. E. Shaw	Town Clerk	Salary for November and December	\$20.00
		Recording fees	22.50
		Postage	1.48
			\$43.98
H. H. Ward	Registration	Services	8.68
R. G. Shaw	"	"	23.00
R. M. Shaw	Election	Groceries furnished for dinners for election officers	2.43
			34.11
J. J. Garvey	Police	Care of traffic light for 9 months	18.00
D. H. Tillson	"	Services in court	17.89
G. C. Allen, Jr.	"	Services	16.00
			51.89
B. F. Fellows	Fire Dept.	Repairs on truck	1.75
D. D. Hazen	Insurance	Balance on premium	84.62
			84.62
L. H. Blackmer	Unclassified	Signature cut for ballots	2.75
G. H. B. Green	"	Administering oaths	2.75
			5.50
D. D. Hazen	Highways	Lantern and tools	4.25
			4.25
Total			\$226.10

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. SHAW,

Town Accountant

Warden's Report

Received by Warden, January 1 to December 31, 1920

Rec'd for five cows	\$220.00
labor with team	435.00
eggs	44.21
calves	78.87
milk	2,552.26
pork	68.00
boarding cow	31.00
hay	79.20
stock service	3.00
bull	110.00
hearse hire	8.00
old tedder	5.00
lumber	32.60
apples	57.25
old furniture and feather beds	18.00
bags	19.34
Total	\$3,791.73

Paid out by Warden January 1 to December 31, 1920

Paid at auction for articles	\$ 9.65
B. Rowe, milk association dues	1.00
Fred Randolph, services	1.50
butchering	1.75
washings and ironings	54.75
Earl Witt, driving hearse	1.50

Paid at Springfield for wall paper	\$ 5.10
Kerr Chickery, 25 baby chicks	5.00
Harry Dodge, machine part	2.50
Albert Steiger, Holyoke, bed linen	7.70
H. W. Conkey, driving team	5.00
H. M. Lamson, stock service	1.00
R. E. Fairchild, weighing apples	.10
Thomas Allen, helping fill silo	4.50
Nelson Lamson, " " "	3.50
H. J. Perkins, peaches	4.50
whips	1.50
B. A. Butler, labor	8.00
Thomas Allen, turnips	.63
Geo. Claflin, filing saws	.75
Geo. Akers, one cow	70.00
Charles Clark, barbering	14.00
at Holyoke, supplies	20.15
Paid out by warden	----- \$ 224.08
Paid treasurer	3,567.65
Total	----- \$3,791.73
17 hearse calls	
1 inmate	
1 state charge boarded 4 weeks	
1 tramp lodged and fed	

E. CLIFTON WITT, *Warden*

Town Farm Inventory

Jan. 1, 1921

31 hens	\$ 62.00
2 spray-pumps	1.50
1 " "	7.50
2 3 scythes and snaths	4.50
Wagon jack	1.50
Evener and whippetree	3.00
Cultivator	4.00
Mowing machine	50.00
1-2 plows	25.00 20.00
Horse rake	18.00
Tedder	62.50
Spring-tooth harrow	5.00
Smoothing harrow	5.00
200 lbs. fertilizer	5.50 8.25
Bush scythe and snath	1.50 2.00 3.00
Millet seed	.75
Pair of street blankets	10.00
Mowing machine	8.00
Paris-green gun	1.50
2 whips	1.50
Buggy	50.00
2 vinegar barrels	4.00
Large wrench	1.50
Can black leaf 40	2.50
3 lbs. nails	.30
Dump cart	75.00

9 Ham coops

1 Harrow

1 feed ell

50

1500

200

500

- 2 manure forks	\$ 3.00
- 2 horse wagon	110.00
- 2 horse sled	30.00
- 1 horse sled	10.00
- 1 evener	1.50
- 7 stake chains	2.45
- 2 cable chains	6.00
- 2 shovels	3.00
- 2 hoes	1.00
- Potato hook	.50
- Garden rake	.50
- Pick	.50
- Wire-stretcher	1.75
- Scoop-shovel	1.50
- Set machine knives	1.75
- 35 bags	2.10
- Reel barbed wire	3.50
- Plane	3.25
- Hay knife	1.50
5 lbs. arsenate lead	2.25
- 5 gal. oil can	1.00
- 2 feed bags	2.00
100 lbs. coarse fine salt	1.50
3 bbls.	3.00
Grain	30.00
- 2 crow bars	3.00
- Cant hook	1.00
- Steelyards	1.50
- Pr. street blankets	8.00
5 pitch forks	3.75
- Hand rake	.40
- Express wagon	40.00
- Bu. basket	1.00
- Baskets	1.00
- Hay fork	25.00
Small tools	5.00

30	30 tons ensilage	\$ 240.00	400
	Meadow hay	10.00	2000
3	6 tons timothy hay	240.00	490
8	20 tons stock hay	260.00	1000
14	1 ton millet	18.00	8 per
	2 ladders	4.00	
	Single sleigh	5.00	
	Traverse "	10.00	
	Pair team harnesses	45.00	
	Single farm "	15.00	
	Driving "	10.00	
	Pair crotch straps	7.25	
	Bells	2.50	
	Pair stable blankets	5.00	
	Pair horses	375.00	330
	Barn broom	1.00	
	Barn hoe	.25	
2	4 lanterns	4.50	
	Creamery tank	5.00	
	2 milk pails	2.00	
	2 pair ice tongs	2.00	
	Milk mixer	5.00	
2	Grind stone	2.00	800
	Corn sheller	3.00	
	Corn planter	15.00	3500
	Feed trough	1.00	
	Winnowing mill	5.00	
100	50 foot rope	1.50	9.50
	Feed cutter	1.00	
	Express pole	1.00	
	3 plows	6.00	
	Plow 2000	2.00	
	2 bridles	8.00	
	No 1 cow	100.00	
	" 2 "	50.00	100
	" 3 "	60.00	50

91 soap 3.50

1-2 year old

No. 4 cow	\$ 80.00	80.00
" 5 "	125.00	75 100
" 6 "	80.00	
" 7 "	90.00	80
" 8 "	75.00	
" 9 "	60.00	
" 10 "	90.00	
- Calf	15.00	20
- Bull	30.00	30
- 2 calves	40.00	20
- 1 3-year old	50.00	125
- 2 3-year olds	90.00	
- 6 corn hooks	2.50	150
12 - 8 cords wood	100.00	84
- 3 wood saws	3.00	
- 2 cross-cut saws	2.00	
- Axe	1.00	150
- Range	15.00	
- Washing machine	5.00	
- Wash boiler	4.00	
- 50 feet hose	5.00	
- Step ladder	1.50	
5 - 6 bbls. apples	24.00	2500
45 - 10 bu. potatoes	12.50	580
Vegetables	5.00	1500
100 - 25 lbs. salt pork	6.25	
95 jars canned fruit	45.00	200
15 tumblers jelly	4.50	
40 gals. cider	20.00	
4 cider bbls.	8.00	
- Wash board	.50	
- 2 tubs	2.00	
- Clothes basket	1.50	
- Wash bench	1.00	
- 12 window screens	6.00	
8 - 7 lamps	2.10	

fish Pond 8.00

/ Nickel lamp	\$ 2.00
- Pantry utensils	/ 25.00
- <u>Bed linen</u>	/ 10.00
- Lounge	/ 1.00
- Towels	/ 3.00
- Curtains	/ 5.00
- 2 bed spreads	/ 1.00
4 5 quilts	/ 3.75
- 3 feather beds	/ 6.00 4.00
- Straw bed	/ .50
9 4 pillows	/ 2.00 4.00
- 2 mattresses	/ 4.00
- Blankets	/ 1.00
- Bed room set	/ 5.00
- 6 stoves	/ 15.00
- Range	/ 35.00
- Art square	/ 10.80
- Linoleum	/ 7.50
- Invalid chair	/ 10.00
- Sewing machine	/ 2.00
- Stand	/ .50
- 11 bureaus	/ 22.00
- Center table	/ 2.00
- Dining room table	/ 6.00
- 2 kitchen "	/ 4.00
- 8 chairs	/ 6.00 5.00
- Carpet sweeper	/ 2.00
- Parlor stove	/ 31.05
- Oil heater	/ 5.00
- Set dishes	/ 28.00 25.00
- Other "	/ 5.00
5 Set sad irons	/ 1.50
- Provisions	/ 65.00 20.00
- 5 gal. oil can	/ 1.50
- 6 iron beds	/ 15.00
- Lap robe	/ 5.00
- Manure spreader	/ 10.00
- Barn pails	/ 2.00
- Lawn mower	/ .50
- 60 empty fruit jars	/ 4.00

Report of Overseers of the Poor

The Overseers of the Poor present their report for the year ending December 31, 1920.

The number of persons aided and supported in their own homes and the homes of others for the year is 23, and there are 18 persons who come under the Mothers' Aid Law. The income from benevolent endowments has brought relief in many cases.

We wish to say that aside from the ties cut on the town lot for which payment has been received there are 6,000 ft. logs cut, ready to be drawn to the mill, and 600 ties cut, part of which have been drawn to the R. R.

J. J. GARVEY
W. D. E. MORSE
R. E. FAIRCHILD

Overseers of the Poor

Report of the Board of Health

The Board of Health submits the following report:

12 cases of contagious diseases have been reported for the year ending December 31, 1920 with one death.

The services of Miss Helen Judd as District Nurse the past year have been very much appreciated by us and all the town's people. We deeply regret being obliged to lose her efficient services.

J. J. GARVEY
W. D. E. MORSE
R. E. FAIRCHILD

Board of Health

Selectmen's Report

The board organized with Mr. J. J. Garvey, chairman. Necessary appointments for the year were made, public weighers, inspectors of meat, etc.

Mr. E. C. Witt, who was made Highway Surveyor, resigned to assume charge of finishing the construction of the Belchertown - Enfield State highway. This work has been completed with satisfaction to all. Upon the resignation of Mr. Witt, charge of the highways was assumed by the Selectmen. With rains and heavy traffic with which they have had to contend, the work as a whole has given satisfaction, especially with the Highway Commission.

During the year Mr. Arthur Bridgman has passed from our midst. For more than twenty years he served the town in the capacity of Town Clerk. As the town's representatives we take occasion at this time to extend to his family sincere appreciation for the long period of service he has rendered, and deepest sympathy for them in their grief.

We are glad to be able to say that just before the reports went to press, word was received from the Highway Commission saying they had approved all bills on the Belchertown-Enfield highway and that the balance due the town would be in the hands of the Treasurer before the annual town meeting.

J. J. GARVEY
W. D. E. MORSE
R. E. FAIRCHILD

Selectmen of Belchertown

Annual Report

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION, FEBRUARY, 1920

School Committee

W. F. NICHOLS, Ch.

Resigned, Jan. 15, 1921

EVERETT A. GEER

Term expires Feb., 1921

E. CLIFTON WITT

" " " 1923

Superintendent

ALVAN R. LEWIS

Term expires Sept. 1, 1921

Attendance Officer

D. F. SHUMWAY

School Physician

JAMES L. COLLARD, M. D.

Report of the School Committee

Last year the School Committee asked for an appropriation of \$20,000 and estimated that the receipts of the department would be \$8,000. At a special meeting we asked for \$3,500 to meet the increased expense caused by the new laws governing transportation, and the superintendent's salary. This with the \$500 raised for the transportation of the children living in the south part of the town made a total appropriation of \$24,000. We received from the state \$11,335.53, leaving a balance of \$12,664.47 which was raised by taxation.

For the year 1921 the committee present the following budget of expenses based on the present rate of salaries:—

Teachers' salaries	\$14,750
Superintendent's salary	1,800
Superintendent's traveling expenses	200
Transportation	4,140
Janitors' salaries	1,200
Fuel	1,200
Books and supplies	1,200
Repairs	500
Water rent	40
Medical inspection	30
Attendance officer	30
Incidentals	200
	\$25,290

The estimated receipts are:—

Teachers' salaries	\$5,450
Superintendent's salary	1,296
Tuition of state wards	740

Mass. state fund	\$ 4,000	
		\$11,486
		\$13,804

Since the school department has an income of about \$300 from invested funds, the committee voted to ask for an appropriation of \$25,000.

The sum of \$14,750 asked for teachers' salaries should be sufficient for the year unless the recommendation made by the special investigating committee passes the legislature. Should this bill become a law it will require a further appropriation of about \$2,000 or we should lose a part of the \$5,450 mentioned above.

The sum of \$4,140 now being paid for transportation seems to the committee too large. This is due partly to the fact that the committee have never received any competitive bids and have been obliged to pay the price asked even when it seemed excessive. Many towns in the state own an auto truck and thus transport the pupils at a much less cost. The committee unanimously recommend that a truck be purchased. When not in use for transportation the truck could be kept at the town farm and used by the warden for town purposes in connection with the farm. This one truck could be used to transport the pupils from the Holyoke and Laurel districts, for less than \$8 a day, which is the price being paid now, or it could bring the children from the south part at a great saving in cost. At the same time we must remember that any money paid the warden for running the truck comes back into the town treasury as town farm receipts, so that the cost to the town would be a small sum for gas and oil.

It is hoped that the fuel situation will improve so that there may be a saving in that line. We are asking for \$136 less than was spent last year, but should the price of coal and wood drop to normal, several hundred dollars more could be saved.

The amount of \$500 for repairs is none too large as several of the buildings are greatly in need of paint. Quite extensive

repairs have been made this year at Blue Meadow, Franklin and Liberty schools. The heating system at the High school, which has for a long time been unsatisfactory, has been enlarged and at the present time seems to be giving better satisfaction.

The committee think that the time has come when a commercial course should be added to the present two courses in the High school. Such a course would make it unnecessary for parents to send their children out of town to get a commercial training. Wherever such a course has been added it has caused an increased attendance in the High school, by holding in school pupils who were dissatisfied with the other courses and by inducing more pupils to go on beyond the grammar grades. We would not disparage in the least a classical or a scientific training but we must recognize that a commercial course is just as necessary to meet the demands of the times.

So strongly have we felt the need of such a course that undoubtedly we should have made the necessary arrangements had there been any room.

We recommend that steps be taken to provide a room for the commercial department. This room can be provided in two ways. First the roof over the primary room might be raised, making another room on the same floor as the other High School rooms. It is doubtful, however, whether the present boiler could furnish heat for the new room. Secondly, since the yard is plenty large enough, another small building might be built. In this building all the primary children might be placed, leaving the primary room for the intermediate children and the intermediate room for the new department.

The same lack of room has made it impossible for the committee to make any use of the money given by the Community Club for the purpose of starting a course in Domestic Science and Manual Training. This money has been placed in the bank to await an opportunity to use it.

EVERETT A. GEER
WILBUR F. NICHOLS
E. CLIFTON WITT

School Committee

Teachers, January 1, 1921

High School	Thomas Allen
“ “	Alice Coon
“ “	Josepha Perry
Center Grammar	Elsie Shattuck
“ Intermediate	Edith Towne
“ Primary	Ruby Knight
“ “ Asst.	Ella Stebbins
Franklin Grammar	Nellie Shea
“ Intermediate	Helen Keys
“ Primary	Irene Orlando
Liberty	Grace Stewart
Washington	Violet Page
Rockrimmon	Emma Stadler
Cold Spring	Bridget Fitzgerald
Blue Meadow	Lucy Bowler
Federal	Amy Witt
Union	Mable Randolph
Music	Florence Clough
“ Rural schools	Mary C. Sullivan
Sewing	Ardelle Hinds

School Calendar

Schools will begin Sept. 6, 1921, and will close Dec. 23, 1921. They will open Jan. 3, 1922, and will continue until June 30, 1922 with one week's intermission at the expiration of every eight weeks.

NUMBER OF PUPILS IN EACH GRADE, DEC. 31, 1920 SCHOOLS

	GRADES												Tot.
	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	
High									32	13	13	8	66
Center	20	9	25	10	14	16	13	18					125
Franklin	18	9	18	9	14	10	7	13					98
Liberty	2	2	4	0	5	2	1	4					20
Washington	1	2	3	0	5	5	2	3					21
Rockrimmon	1	2	4	2	4	0	1	0					14
Cold Spring	6	1	3	3	0	1	4	0					18
Blue Meadow	0	1	1	3	1	6	0	0					12
Federal	4	3	2	2	4	2	3	0					20
Union	4	7	2	6	3	4	0	3					29
Totals	56	36	62	35	50	46	31	41	32	13	13	8	423

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

Total number	505
Number enrolled	444
“ between 5 yrs. and 7 yrs.	40
“ “ 7 “ “ 14 “	317
“ “ 14 “ “ 16 “	58
“ above 16 “	29
Average membership	420
Average attendance	378
Per cent of attendance	90
Number of cases of tardiness	1,051
Number of pupils attending schools out of town	3
“ “ “ “ from “ “ “	0

SCHOOL STATISTICS

For year ending June 30, 1920

SCHOOLS	Whole Number	No. enrolled	No. between 5 and 7	No. between 7 and 14	No. between 14 and 16	No. over 16	Av. Membership	Av. Attendance	No. Tardinesses
High.	54	54	0	5	21	28	50	47	324
Center Grammar.	43	41	0	25	15	1	40	36	267
Center Intermediate.	46	41	0	41	0	0	41	36	42
Center Primary.	67	59	15	43	1	0	47	41	97
Cold Spring.	20	20	4	15	1	0	19	18	37
Franklin Grammar.	33	32	0	28	4	0	31	30	3
Franklin Intermediate.	42	40	0	39	1	0	40	37	9
Franklin Primary	28	25	6	19	0	0	26	25	4
Liberty.	27	25	3	17	5	0	25	18	83
Washington.	28	20	3	17	0	0	20	19	12
Rock Rimmon.	20	20	3	14	3	0	17	15	30
Chestnut Hill									
Holyoke.									
Federal	34	19	2	12	5	0	25	23	50
Lake Vale.									
Union.	44	34	4	28	2	0	27	23	13
West Hill.									
East Hill.									
Laurel.									
Blue Meadow	19	14	0	14	0	0	12	10	80
	505	444	40	317	58	29	420	378	1051

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Belchertown

Gentlemen:

It is my privilege to herewith submit for your consideration my thirteenth annual report which is the seventeenth in this series.

The schools were seriously interrupted during the year by sickness and an unusually severe winter. Not only loss of time but the poor attendance has had its effect upon the work of the schools. The per cent. of attendance for the school year ending June 30, 1920, was 90. The number of cases of tardiness during this time was ten hundred fifty-one, three hundred thirty-eight less than the year before. Seven hundred thirty of this number were in the Center schools. This is deplorable, inexcusable, and shameful. It reflects not only upon the schools, but, in a large measure, upon the parents.

A large number of resignations was received at the close of the school year. Larger salaries offered was a strong attraction but was resisted by some of our teachers. Mr. Victor Blackmer resigned as teacher of the Center Grammar; Mrs. Nettie Allen from the Center Intermediate; Miss Sadie Demarest from the Franklin Intermediate; Miss Lulu Austin from the Franklin Primary; Miss Emie Hopkins from Liberty; Miss Susie Squires from the Center Primary; Miss Bernice Cook, teacher of music in the rural schools. Miss Edith Towne was transferred from Union to the Center Intermediate and Miss Irene Orlando from the Blue Meadow to Franklin Primary.

The following teachers were elected to fill vacancies: Cen-

ter Grammar, Miss Elsie Shattuck; Center Primary, assistant, Miss Ella Stebbins; Franklin Intermediate, Miss Helen Keyes; Liberty, Mrs. Grace Stuart; Blue Meadow, Miss Lucy Bowler; Union, Miss Mabel Randolph; music in the rural schools, Miss Mary C. Sullivan.

It has been very difficult to secure trained or experienced teachers. The increase in salaries in the cities has been about twice as great as that in the rural towns. With a low valuation and a large area, unless conditions change, securing teachers will be a difficult problem. Because of this serious condition Gov. Coolidge appointed a commission with Dr. Payson Smith, chairman, to report on teachers' salaries. It reported that a few schools had been closed because of lack of teachers; 634 teachers went from this state to teach in other states or to engage in more profitable employment; between 1910 and 1920 the cost of living increased 100 per cent.; the average salaries of elementary teachers was increased 85 per cent., and of high school teachers, 50 per cent.; in the normal schools the enrollment of men decreased 37 per cent., and that of women, 27 per cent. The commission recommended that the legal salary be increased from \$550 to \$800, not exempting towns of less than 1,000,000 valuation; that the salaries used as a basis for reimbursement under the general school fund act be increased to \$800, \$900, and \$1000, and the reimbursements be increased from \$100, \$150, and \$200 to \$250, \$300, and \$350. As the reimbursements increase some preparation, professional training or a long term of service, will undoubtedly be required. Teachers who expect an increase in salary should prepare for it. It has been made possible for teachers to take a normal course with practically no expense or loss of time. North Adams Normal School offers such a course.

Our school buildings are in better condition than they have been for some years; yet much remains to be done. Every school room should be thoroughly washed at least once a year; the windows frequently cleaned, and the room kept in order. Teachers and pupils can do much toward making their rooms

attractive. Environment is a large factor in character building. For a pupil to sit hour after hour in an untidy, unattractive room is degrading.

The pupils at Franklin and Blue Meadow have taken a course in industrial work under the direction of Miss Bena G. Erhart of the Northampton Farm Bureau. At Franklin each girl was required to make two garments, darn five pairs of stockings, and do fifty hours of housework. All the girls in the grammar and eight in the intermediate room were banner members of the club and placed their work on exhibition at Northampton and Belchertown to compete with other clubs in the county. They won four prizes, three at Northampton and one at Belchertown. The boys were given work on oilcloth and wood. In January the girls will continue the work in garment making and the boys will join the handicraft club.

At Blue Meadow six girls made nineteen garments, darned one hundred forty-three pairs of stockings and did one thousand two hundred three hours of housework. One girl baked three hundred three loaves of bread. An exhibition was given and a banner was awarded for completing all the requirements of the club. One boy had a garden. His exhibit at Northampton won two first and one second prizes. Two girls canned three hundred quarts of fruit and vegetables and made seventy glasses of jelly. One girl raised two calves which were exhibited at the Eastern States Exposition in Springfield and at Northampton Fair. They won first and third prizes at both fairs. One girl raised two pigs. One was exhibited at Northampton and won first prize. They were sold Dec. 1, at a net profit of \$33.41.

Although the enrollment in the high school is much larger than it has been for many years, excellent work has been accomplished by an efficient principal and assistants. We have only two courses, but the work in these courses will compare favorably with the work done in much larger schools as is evidenced by the high standing of those pupils who enter higher institutions.

The work in the grades has greatly improved since the school year has been extended from thirty-two to forty weeks and the work of the grades has been made uniform.

There are sixty-five pupils in the high school, with only eight in the senior class. There are forty-one in the class which will enter in September; and for a number of years the classes to enter will be large. It is evident that more room will soon be required.

I recommend that the tops of the desks in the recitation rooms be planed and varnished; and that double desks in a few schoolrooms be replaced with single desks.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVAN R. LEWIS

Dec. 31, 1920.

Report of High School Principal

Superintendent A. R. Lewis,

Dear Sir:

In submitting the following report, there are a few matters to which your attention and that of the parents is respectfully called.

The increased number of pupils has necessitated not only using nearly to its full capacity the seating accommodations of the school but also dividing into two divisions two lower classes in English and Civics. By this arrangement the smaller unit of pupils has received the greater benefit of closer class instruction.

Furthermore, pupils who regularly use the major part of their evenings for school work have a record corresponding. It tells in the long run. An evening or two spent in trying to bring up some back work, the application of which was lost in class through lack of preparation, while it has its benefit, is of far less value to the pupil than the faithful daily preparation of that work would have been. It still leaves him behind, aiming to get a smattering in the hope of getting by! But more and more just getting by means getting left. Parents who provide for evening study and encourage, if not demand it, are doing the child an immense amount of good. A quiet place to study during the evening is practically a necessity. This habit, early fixed, will materially aid and benefit his further education.

To be sure pleasure has its legitimate function but there must be a revival of learning. Pleasure must not be sought

to the detriment of useful pursuits. So far as it abets and aids accomplishment of the work in hand it is beneficial. The time is not yet ripe for small high school teams to carry out a college schedule of athletics. As teachers we are doing all we can to train and develop the intellects committed to our charge to function properly in approaching civic and educational tasks.

The sick list decreases gradually. It is so easy to be too ill to attend school during the day or week but some social function works a marvellous cure. Too sick to go to school used to be too sick to go out of doors, to say nothing of attending dances, sociables, parties and the like. Is it now to be a pretext to evade duty and enjoy pleasure?

Reports of the work of our recent graduates now pursuing college courses are very satisfactory. These reports show that if their classmates stand better, they have enviable records.

The school is fortunate in having retained for a third year the assistant teachers. It is a pleasure to commend their work and interest. Aiding the girl scout movement, Miss Perry and Miss Coon are doing a work that will prove of lasting benefit to the lives of all individually concerned and to the community at large.

Respectfully submitted,
THOMAS ALLEN

Report of the Supervisor of Music

The aim of public school music this year has been to make the children love to sing; and to arouse the desire and appreciation of good music. Songs must be selected that are tuneful and pleasing, and by a famous composer, if possible. Special attention must be given to the correct tempo, clear enunciation and expression, in order to interpret the songs intelligently. In the primary grades, rote songs must be chosen within a certain range, simple in style and rythm.

Although the songs appeal more to the children, nevertheless the sight reading and the theoretical knowledge are just as important and the foundation of all our work in music. There are certain keys, definite rythms, standard expression terms, several scales and other rudiments, that must be mastered, in order to gain efficiency and progress in this interesting subject.

During the music period, in every room, there are the leaders and those who imitate and drag, but when the individual slip singing lesson takes place, each one is marked according to his own merit. This sight reading teaches them to know the proper syllable of each tone in any key, and to apply the seven modle time motions. When a new song is given out, we sing the syllables before taking the words. If the theoretical knowledge is not mastered, it is very hard to gain much progress in sight reading.

At the Franklin school the grades unite for opening exercises which is beneficial to the pupil. Besides the regular devotional exercises, the "Salute To The Flag" is given, a patriotic song is rendered, after which each school sings the new song

they have been working on for the past week. This assembly singing with the piano helps to make the music more interesting to the children, and they do so much better when they realize that others are listening to them, than they would if they were in their own room alone. In the upper grades, the part singing is well balanced and there are several capable of doing solo work.

During this past year the High School have used a new book entitled, "Art Songs for High School" by Will Earhart, published by the American Book Company. Three selections on the last graduation program were taken from this book, and the additional numbers were from supplementary coda music. One boys' chorus is predominant, and we have enough talent for a male quartet. The annual examination in December which counts one point credit, was very gratifying.

In the intermediate schools this year a new book from the Hollis Dann Music Course was introduced. Dr. Dann is professor of music at Cornell University, and a well known writer of music for school use.

The supervisor cannot do her best unless she has the hearty co-operation of the superintendent, the school committee, the teachers and the parents, therefore I wish to thank all who have aided the progress of public school music.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE M. CLOUGH

Report of Teacher of Sewing

Mr. A. R. Lewis, Superintendent of Schools,

My dear Mr. Lewis:

Your request for a report of the work done in sewing the past year has just come to me.

We are nearing the end of our second year in sewing in the Center Intermediate and Grammar schools. Not as much has been accomplished as one might wish for but the quality of work is steadily improving and I feel that this start in sewing will be of lasting benefit to many of the girls.

Not many of us look back to the days when we sewed patch-work or darned our first stockings as among the cherished memories of our childhood. So with the work thus far, perhaps to many of the girls it has been uninteresting as we have been obliged to spend much of the time learning fundamentals while working on aprons, holders, needlecases, pin cushions and the like, spending some time also on patching and darning.

With some degree of pleasure and pride, however, we recall that first garment which we made. That brighter day is dawning for our sewing classes in 1921. Already the first garments are cut and increased interest is being manifested by the girls. As one girl was basting her first seam the other day she asked with much enthusiasm, "What will we make next, Miss Hinds; can't we make middies?"

Again we would remind those interested in our schools that if sewing is to become a permanent part of the school work, a room equipped with tables and machines is essential for the best results. Time is too precious to spend making entire gar-

ments by hand.

Respectfully submitted,
M. ARDELLE HINDS

Report of Attendance Officer

To the School Committee:

I have received quite a number of summonses from teachers to absentees from school. I have visited the schools and I found a good attendance unless the scholars were out on account of sickness.

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Attendance Officer*

Belchertown High School

GRADUATING EXERCISES

June 23

1920

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

8 P. M.

CLASS MOTTO

B²

CLASS FLOWER

Yellow Rose

CLASS COLORS

Gold and White

Invocation		Essay Beyond the Alps Lies Italy	
Smugglers	CHORUS	Alice E. Booth	
Salutatory Oration	The Lost League	Lovely Appear	<i>Gounod</i>
	Francis S. Allen	CHORUS	
Declamation	What Makes a Nation Great?	Declamation	The Highwayman
	Myrtle E. Blackmer		M. Catherine McKillop
The Joy Song		Class Prophecy	
	CHORUS		Eleanor M. Bardwell
Oration Books		Sailor Song	<i>Wagner</i>
	Osborne O. Davis	Class Will	
Declamation	The Weather	Oration	Valedictory Diamonds
	Gladys R. Gay		Newell S. Booth
The Old Guard		Presentation of Diplomas	
	BOYS' CHORUS		E. Clifton Witt
Oration	Night Brings Out the Stars	The Lost Chord	<i>Sullivan</i>
	Earl M. Witt	Benediction	CHORUS

SCHOOL RECEIPTS

Tax levy	\$12,664.47
Vocational trust fund	33.33
Mass. school fund	4,579.75
Superintendent's salary	900.00
State wards	807.45
Teachers' salaries	5,015.00
Bridgman fund	303.75
Longley "	85.00
	\$24,388.75

SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

Committee's salaries	\$ 120.00
Superintendent's salary	1,548.00
" expenses	68.33
Truant officer	60.00
Physician	35.00
Teachers' salaries	13,077.02
Books and supplies	1,669.46
Tuition	133.50
Transportation	3,318.80
Janitors and supplies	974.17
Fuel	1,336.05
Repairs	1,812.51
Water rent	39.00
School census	25.00
Miscellaneous	60.99
Unexpended balance	110.92
	\$24,388.75

Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the town hall in said Belchertown on Monday, the seventh day of February in the year A. D. 1921 at 9.30 o'clock in the morning, then and there to act on the following articles:

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of the town officers and act thereon.

ART. 3. To choose the following named officers: a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, a Highway Surveyor, five Constables and a Tax Collector, and one School Committee to fill vacancy, all for one year; one School Committee for three years, one Assessor for three years; and one Burial Ground Commissioner for three years; also to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of certain non-intoxicating beverages in the town as provided in Section 11, Chapter 138 of the General Laws.

ART. 4. To choose the following named officers by nomination: One Tree Warden, eight Measurers of Wood, eight Surveyors of Lumber, two Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, all for one year,

and one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

ART. 5. To see if the town will vote to give to The Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid.

ART. 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses of the current financial year.

ART. 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum sufficient to reimburse the Three Rivers District Fire Department for services at the McLean fire.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote to buy a safe for the Tax Collector and to raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a Fire Alarm Whistle, and act thereon.

ART. 10. To see what action the town will take in regard to selling or disposing of the Town Farm, and act thereon.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1st, 1921, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$ 30,000.00 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the said municipal year.

ART. 12. To see if the town will vote to choose a committee of three to be known as the committee on appropriations who shall carefully investigate and report at the next annual meeting the amounts needed in the several departments to be expended in the ensuing year, also to have charge of the administration of the reserve fund, and act thereon.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,440 to be used in conjunction with an allotment from the State Department of Public works in the repairs of highways under the provisions of Chapter 155 of the Acts of 1918.

ART. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars for permanent repairs on the Bondsville-Belchertown roads, so-called, beginning at or near the point where the work was completed in 1920 and continuing toward the center of the town.

ART. 15. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$100. for the support of the Hampshire County Farm Bureau and elect a director of that organization who will be the official town representative for the County Board of Trustees as per Chapter 273 of the Acts of 1918.

ART. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to be used in conjunction with an allotment of a like sum from the State Department of Public Works for permanent repairs on the Palmer road, work to begin at the Palmer-Belchertown line on the Three Rivers road and extend toward the Center.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,700. for the purchase of a Cletrac tractor for use on the highways.

ART. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,400. to be used in combination with a like sum to be raised by the town of Ware for the erection of an iron bridge across the Swift River between Ware and Belchertown.

ART. 19. To see if the town will vote to buy an auto truck to use in the transporting of school children and to raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 20. To see if the town will install two more street lights on West Walnut Street, one near the residence of C. W. Morse and one near the home of Everett C. Howard, and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 21. To see if the town will vote to henceforth give perpetual care to the cemetery lot of any person on the payment of one hundred dollars to the town treasurer for that purpose, the same to be invested with other cemetery funds.

ART. 22. To see if the town will appoint a committee to

name some of the roads and streets of the town and appropriate money for the purchase of signs to designate the same.

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to thoroughly repair the highway on West Walnut Street from Main Street to the railroad crossing and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate sufficient money to provide additional room so that a commercial department may be established in the high school, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ART. 25. To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$2000. to be expended on the highway leading from the Ludlow State road, past the farm formerly owned by Orrin Walker, past James Isaacs' to connect with the State road at Croney's corner, said \$2000. to be used in connection with such sum as may be appropriated by the State and such sum as may be appropriated by the County.

ART. 26. To hear the reports of any committee or committees that have been appointed by the town.

ART. 27. To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to provide a public dumping ground and to raise and appropriate any funds that may be necessary.

ART. 28. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Polls to be opened at 10 o'clock A. M. and closed at 4 o'clock P. M. unless otherwise ordered by vote of the town.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Community League hall, one at Dwight and one at Keyes' hotel, seven days at least before the time of holding aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands, this fourteenth day of January, A. D. 1921.

J. J. GARVEY
W. D. E. MORSE
R. E. FAIRCHILD

Selectmen of Belchertown

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Minutes of Annual Town Meeting

FEBRUARY 7, 1921

Meeting called to order at 9.30 o'clock A.M. by Town Clerk William E. Shaw, who after reading the warrant called for action under—

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Geo. H. B. Green was elected Moderator. Prayer was offered by Rev. H. P. Rankin.

Art. 2. To hear the reports of the town officers and act thereon.

Voted to waive the reading of the reports of the town officers. Reports were accepted in their regular order, excepting the report of the Selectmen which was rejected.

Art. 3. (Relative to officers to be chosen by ballot.) Election officers sworn and ballots delivered to clerks and receipt taken for same.

Ballot Clerks—Frank E. Austin, Merrill E. Williams.

Checkers—Louise A. Sherman, Mary Hanifin.

Gate Keepers—James F. Moriarty, Fernando G. Shaw.

Counters—Alvan R. Lewis, Stanley DeMoss, Timothy Garvey and John Hawes.

Key to Ballot box given to Constable Guy C. Allen, Jr. Box

opened as required by Sec. 66, chap. 54, Gen. Laws and polls opened at 10 o'clock A. M.

Voted, while continuing action under Article 3 to take up—

.Art. 4—(Officers to be chosen by nomination.)

Elected—Tree Warden—*George M. Kelley.

(*Indicate official has taken his oath as required by law.)

Measurers of Wood

*Fred M. Fuller

F. W. Fellows

*James A. Peeso

*R. E. Fairchild

*E. F. Flaherty

*E. F. Shumway

William Bishop

*W. M. Goodell

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

*C. F. Austin

*H. W. Conkey

*F. M. Fuller

James F. Moriarty

*Qualified.

*E. R. Peeso

*J. A. Peeso

*H. S. Pratt

*E. F. Shumway

ALMONERS OF THE STREET AND BRIDGMAN FUNDS

Mrs. Carrier P. Witt

Mrs. Herbert F. Curtis.

TRUSTEE OF THE CALVIN BRIDGMAN FUND

Myron S. Barton

Art. 5. (Relation to Dog License Fund.)

Voted, to give it to the Clapp Memorial Library.

Art. 6. (Relative to raising and appropriating money for defraying the expenses of the current financial year.)

Voted, to raise and appropriate as follows:

For Legislative Acct.	\$50	For Law account	\$50
Election & registration	100	Town Hall	175
Police	100	Fire Department	200
Tree warden	100	Forest fires	200
Moth suppression	140	Health	500

Nurse	1400	Highways	1500
Bridges	1000	Poor	3000
State aid	1000	Schools	25,000
Town clock	150	Insurance	1000
Farm Bureau	100	Memorial Day	125
Cemeteries	250	Interest	200
Reserve fund	1000	Unclassified	250
Street Lights	1507.50	Sealer of Weights & Measures	70
For Selectmen, salaries	\$325	Expenses	\$100
Assessors, salaries	450	Expenses	20
Accountant, salary	200	Expenses	25
Treasurer, salary	150	Expenses	75
Clerk, salary	120	Expenses	105
Collector, salary	200	Expenses	50
Collector, back pay	25		

For oiling streets, \$150, provided abutters pay one half of expense and also provided the expense does not exceed this appropriation.

Voted, indefinite postponement on item relating to bond for clerk.

Art. 7. (Relative to reimbursing Three Rivers Fire Dept. for services.)

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$55 for that purpose.

Art. 8. Voted, to raise and appropriate \$50 to buy a safe for the Tax Collector.

Art. 9. Voted, to raise and appropriate \$350 to purchase a Fire Alarm Whistle.

Art. 10. (Relative to sale of Town Farm.)

Voted, that a Committee of three be named by the Chair, to serve without pay until discharged by vote of the Town. It shall be the duty of this Committee to seek an opportunity to advantageously dispose of the property, both real and personal, connected with our Town Farm. When in the opinion of a majority of this Com-

mittee such an opportunity is found, they shall confer with the then Board of Selectmen regarding the proposed sale; and if the proposition meets with the approval of a majority of the said Selectmen, this Committee as agents of the Town, is empowered and authorized to dispose of and convey the said property.

In the event of said property being sold the proceeds of such sale shall be invested as a permanent fund by a trustee or trustees chosen by the Town. The income from this fund to be added annually to the appropriation for the Pauper Department. Until the election of said trustees the Selectmen to act as such trustees.

The Committee named by the chair and confirmed by vote of the meeting: M. A. Morse, Roswell Allen and Edgar E. Sargent.

Art. 11. Voted, to authorize the borrowing of \$30,000 in anticipation of revenue of 1921.

Art. 12. Voted, to choose a Finance or Appropriation Committee of three. Chosen: Edgar C. Witt, Edward R. Peeso, and James F. Moriarty.

Art. 13. Voted, the sum of \$4440 for repair of highways under the provisions of Chap. 155, Acts 1918.

Art. 14. Voted, the sum of \$1000 for permanent repairs on the Belchertown-Bondsville road, so-called.

Art. 15. Elected, Peter Hanifin a director of the Hampshire County Farm Bureau.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to be used in conjunction with an allotment of a like sum from the State Department of Public Works for permanent repairs on the Palmer road, work to begin at the Palmer-Belchertown line on the Three Rivers road and extend toward the Center.

Motion made to raise and appropriate \$1000 for repairs on this road. Point of order was raised by Mr. A. F. Bardwell, that the motion was not in order as the action contemplated was not allowable under the language of the article on which it was based,

Chair ruled that the point of order was well taken and the motion not in order.

Mr. Everett A. Geer took an appeal from the ruling of the chair. On submitting the appeal to the meeting the ruling of the chair was not sustained.

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$1000 as per original motion.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1700 for the purchase of a Cletrac tractor for use on the highway.

Voted, to lay the article on the table.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2400 to be used in combination with a like sum to be raised by the town of Ware for the erection of an iron bridge across the Swift River between Ware and Belchertown.

Voted, to lay the article on the table.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to buy an auto truck to use in the transporting of school children and to raise and appropriate money for the same.

Voted, to indefinitely postpone action.

Art. 20. To see if the town will install two more street lights on West Walnut Street, one near the residence of C. W. Morse and one near the home of Everett C. Howard, and appropriate money therefor.

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$40 to install two lights as specified above.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to henceforth give perpetual care to the cemetery lot of any person on the payment of one hundred dollars to the town treasurer for that purpose, the same to be invested with other cemetery funds.

Voted, to give perpetual care to the cemetery lot of any person on payment to the Town treasurer of fifty dollars for that purpose, said money to be invested with the cemetery funds. Also voted,

that the Cemetery Commissioners shall submit an annual report in which each bequest shall be reported separately.

Art. 22 To see if the town will appoint a committee to name some of the roads and streets of the town and appropriate money for the purchase of signs to designate the same.

Voted, to appoint a committee of three for the above specified purpose and voted to raise and appropriate \$100 for its use. M. G. Ward, Geraldine Howard and W. M. Goodell constitute the committee. The acts of the committee to be submitted to the voters for ratification at a subsequent meeting.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to thoroughly repair the highway on West Walnut Street from Main Street to the railroad crossing and appropriate money for the same.

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$500 for the above purpose.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate sufficient money to provide additional room so that a commercial department may be established in the high school, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted, that committee of five be appointed to consider the matter of improved school facilities and report its findings to the town at the earliest expedient date. Committee appointed: Mr. A. F. Bardwell, Rev. C. G. Burnham, Mr. W. F. Nichols, Mrs. J. W. Hurlburt and Mr. J. V. Cook.

Art. 25. To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$2000 to be expended on the highway leading from the Ludlow State road, past the farm formerly owned by Orrin Walker, past James Isaacs' to connect with the State road at Croney's corner, said \$2000 to be used in connection with such sum as may be appropriated by the State and such sum as may be appropriated by the County.

When the meeting had Article 25 under consideration, the following article of agreement was read by William E. Shaw, town clerk:

We, the undersigned, agree to give towards the building of a state road, connecting the state road at Ludlow line with the state road at Croney's corner, to go past James Isaac's, the amounts stated below, either in labor or money for the years 1921, 1922 and 1923 provided the state and town agree upon an appropriation—unless we become non-resident.

J. W. Hurlburt	\$50	Brought over	\$670
E. F. Shumway	50	C. R. Green	50
J. R. Newman, Jr.	50	A. J. Sears	50
E. E. Gay	50	C. E. Booth	50
Joseph Noel	50	F. A. Towne	50
R. N. Baggs	50	F. H. Lincoln	50
J. E. Isaac	50	G. I. Mead	50
P. M. Adzima	50	J. J. Archambault	25
Arthur Vezina	50	C. I. Shaw	25
Irvin Carey	50	Alfred Samson	25
F. A. Upham	50	L. E. Williams	25
J. A. Henrichon	25	C. E. White	25
W. A. Sauer	25	E. E. Brooks	25
H. F. Putnam	25	Peter Smola	25
Wm. E. Eaton	25	Eugene Dick	25
G. W. Clifford	20	D. & M. Eaton	30
	\$670		\$1,200

Voted, \$2000 to be used in conjunction with such sums as may be contributed by individuals, also with such assistance as may be received from the County or State.

Art. 26. Report of "Old Home Day" Committee submitted by Chairman M. A. Morse and accepted.

Art. 27. Instructed the selectmen to provide a public dumping ground and voted \$15 for expenses in connection therewith.

Art. 28. Voted, to instruct the Town Officials to itemize their accounts in each division, same to be printed in the Town Report

each year.

Art. 3. continued. At 6.45 o'clock P.M., the election officers having completed their work, the result was announced as follows:

Whole number of votes cast	465
Male	Female

TOWN CLERK

Geo. H. B. Green	259
William E. Shaw	181

SELECTMEN

E. A. Rudd Fairchild	289
Harry H. Ward	239
John J. Garvey	215
J. V. Cook	195
W. D. S. Morse	171
M. P. Bowler	125

TREASURER

Wilbur F. Nichols	399
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ASSESSOR

Clayton R. Green	267
Guy C. Allen, Jr.	167

TAX COLLECTOR

Dwight F. Shumway	*390
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SCHOOL COM. FOR 3 YEARS.

Everett A. Geer	390
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SCHOOL COM. FOR 1 YEAR

Mrs. Leila S. Curtis	*283
Mrs. Annie F. Austin	*135

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

Fred M. Fuller	*262
Eugene Flaherty	187

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER FOR THREE YEARS

Edward A. Randall	269
Herbert H. Barrett	143

CONSTABLES (5)

Michael F. Austin	*303
Raymond F. Goodell	*273
Leon E. Williams	*270
Guy C. Allen, Jr.	*251
Dwight F. Shumway	*248
James A. Peeso	*238
Daniel Kennedy	127
Joseph Kempkis	118
Thomas Landers	105

LICENSE FOR NON-INTOXICATING BEVERAGES

Yes	179	No	221
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At 5.22 P.M. Voted, to adjourn.

WM. E. SHAW,
Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, APRIL 23, 1921

Articles in the Warrant and Action relative thereto.

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Chose Alvan R. Lewis, Moderator.

Art. 2. To hear the report of the committee chosen at the last annual meeting to name some of the roads and streets of Belcher-town and take action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to continue the use of standard time.

Voted, to continue the use of standard time.

Art. 4. To see what action the town will take in regard to constructing a bridge over Swift River at the present location of the so-called Chapin Bridge and to raise and appropriate a sum to be used in conjunction with a sum appropriated by the Town of Ware for that purpose.

Voted, to raise and appropriate Three Hundred Dollars for repairs on the Chapin Bridge.

Voted, to adjourn.

GEO. H. B. GREEN.

REPORT

The Committee chosen to name and determine the limits of some of the more important streets and roads of Belchertown hereby submit the following report for your revision, adoption or rejection. First, we considered the streets to which names had long ago been given, and had been tacitly accepted by the people.

We recommend the boundaries of these as follows:

Main St., west of the Common, Walnut to Maple.

North Main, Walnut to Federal at W. D. Dunbar's Cor.

South Main, Maple to Roland Shaw's corner.

Park St., East of Common from E, Walnut to Jabish.

East Walnut, Main to Jabish.

West Walnut, Main to Town Farm.

Jabish St., Main to Enfield line.

Cottage St., N. Main to L. H. Blackmer's. Formerly New St.

Federal, from W. D. Dunbar's past Dwight to the Pelham-Amherst line.

Pelham Road, from H. H. Witts corner past Pratt Bros. Mill to Pelham line.

Gulf Road, from Federal at Dwight past Meads corner to Pelham

line.

Blue Meadow Road, from Jabish at Pierce's corner past W. A. Sauer's to Ware line.

Jucket Road, from the Guy C. Allen farm past Frank Baches to the Pelham line.

Allen St., from the G. C. Allen farm west to E. C. Howards Chandler farm.

Orchard Road, from Federal, near Holland Lake, past the Hults farm to So. Amherst line.

Bay Road, from W. H. Ballou's past Lake Vale school to So. Amherst line near Lord's fruit farm.

Warren Wright St., from Bay Road near Nelson Lamson's past Wright's former home to Federal at Graney's corner.

Geo. Hannum St., from H. H. Witts past the Town Farm west to Granby line.

Boardman St., from H. Lamson's corner to Granby line near R. A. French's.

Stebbins St., the Eaton Corner on "Pond Hill" southerly to Granby line.

North St., from Gulf Road west across Federal to Amherst line (past the L. V.B. Cook place).

Maple St., from Main at (P. O.) to railroad crossing.

State St., from R. R. crossing to Granby line.

Turkey Hill Road, from State at Croney's corner to E. F. Shumway's.

Rock Rimmon St., E. F. Shumway's past Rock Rimmon school to Granby line.

Chauncey Walker St., from E. F. Shumway's past C. E. Booth's to Ludlow line near the Orrin Walker place.

Springfield Road, from Roland Shaw's corner to Chauncy Walker St. at James Isaac's.

Washington St. North, from Roland Shaw's corner to the M. W. Bardwell place.

Washington St. South, from M. W. Bardwell place to South street near the Belchertown-Ludlow cemetery.

Liberty St. North, from Washington near Emory Squire's to "Four Corners" near the Asa Smith place.

Liberty St. South, from said "Four Corners" past Liberty school to Palmer line.

Bardwell St., from Jejian's corner through Tylerville or Bardwell's Village to Swift River.

Mill Valley Road, from So. Main past D. P. Spencer's to the place formerly owned by David Wright.

Cold Spring St., from the Wright corner past the Cold Spring School to Ware line at Chapin Bridge.

Sabin St., from Cold Spring St. north past the Sabin farm to Blue Meadow Road near W. A. Sams.

Franklin St., from the D. Wright corner past Franklin School to Palmer line.

South St., from "Cosey Corner" farm across So. Liberty to Ludlow line at cemetery.

West St., from South St. near "Cosey Corner" farm past M. F. Austin's to Ludlow line.

Granby Road, from Booth's corner north past Four Corners to Rock Rimmon St.

M. G. WARD,
GERALDINE HOWARD,
W. M. GOODELL,

Committee.

Voted, to accept and adopt the report.

ARTICLES IN THE WARRANT AND ACTION THEREON

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, SEPT. 24, 1921

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Chose Alvan R. Lewis, Moderator.

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money sufficient for Belchertown's portion of the expense in the erection of a bridge across the Swift River to replace the so-called Chapin bridge, and take any action relative thereto.

Voted to instruct the Selectmen of Belchertown to confer with the Selectmen of Ware to see if they can agree to build a wooden bridge to replace the so-called Chapin bridge across the Swift River; and if they can so agree to get out specifications and call for bids.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to authorize the lease, purchase or erection of a building for the accommodation of it's High School, with the understanding that the present building be utilized for the lower grade pupils, and take any necessary action thereon.

Voted, to indefinitely postpone action thereon.

Art. 4. To hear the report of any committee or committees that have been appointed by the town and act thereon.

The Committee appointed to investigate and report on Improved School Facilities submitted the following report:

TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN

Committee on Improved School Facilities

A. F. Bardwell, Chairman.	Wilbur F. Nichols, Clerk.
Ida Munsell Hurlburt	Jacob V. Cook Rev. C. G. Burnham

To the Town of Belchertown—

Your Committee at the annual town meeting held in February, 1921, to examine into, and report upon, the matter of improved school facilities, finds that:—

In order to meet the requirements of the school department in providing ample accommodations and opportunity for its educational work, a new and commodious school building is essential, and rec-

ommends that the construction, upon an approved site, be entered upon at the earliest possible moment compatible with business and other controlling conditions.

Your Committee also finds that:—If present accommodations are increased by the addition of one or more school-rooms, the work of the school department may be carried on with its usual degree of efficiency, for the coming two years at least, and that action involving the construction of a new building may be delayed for that length of time.

Your Committee also finds that:—An appropriation of not less than five hundred dollars should be made to enable the school department to secure and equip one or more additional schoolrooms.

Respectfully submitted at the Special Town Meeting held in the Town Hall, Belchertown, Massachusetts, September 24, 1921.

Committee on Improved School Facilities,

W. F. Nichols, *Clerk* Ida Munsell Hurlburt

A. F. Bardwell, *Chairman* Collins G. Burnham.

Jacob V. Cook

Belchertown, Sept. 24, 1921.

Voted, to accept the report of the Committee.

Later, voted to reconsider the above vote, and voted to amend the report by striking out in the last clause the word—"an appropriation" and substituting therefor the words—A transfer from the Poor Dept. or from the Reserve Fund—so as to read as follows: Your committee also finds that a transfer from the Poor Dept. or from the Reserve Fund of not less than Five Hundred Dollars, etc., etc.

As thus amended the report was then accepted.

Art. V. To see if the town will rescind the vote taken under Article 14 at the annual town meeting on February 3, 1919 when the town accepted the provisions of Section 336 of Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts relative to the election of a

Highway Surveyor.

Voted, to rescind said vote.

Meeting adjourned.

GEO. H. B. GREEN,

Town Clerk.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, DEC. 3, 1921

ARTICLES IN WARRANT AND ACTION THEREON

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Chose Alvan R. Lewis, Moderator.

Art. 2. To hear the report of the committee appointed in accordance with Article 24 at the last annual meeting and to see if the town will vote to discharge such committee.

The Committee made a brief verbal report which was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Art. 3. To see what action the town will take relative to the erection of a new school building.

Voted, that a committee of five be selected who shall investigate matter of school sites, and their cost; shall present plans for suitable buildings, and their cost; shall hold hearings and report at a future meeting.

This Committee to be chosen by ballot after opportunity has been given for any number of nominations from the floor.

In accordance with the above vote the following named persons were elected members of this Committee—Wilbur F. Nichols, George E. Scott, Geraldine F. Howard, Everett A. Geer, Alvan R. Lewis.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of books and supplies to replace those

burned at the Center School fire.

Voted, to appropriate the money received for insurance (\$2500) on the recently burned school buildings, for the purchase of books and supplies for the School Dept.

Art. 5. To see what action the town will take relative to cleaning up the site of the Center School building.

Voted, to leave the matter with the Selectmen with instructions that the work be done at once.

Art. 6. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the erection of a bridge across the Swift River to replace the so-called Chapin bridge.

Voted, to lay the article on the table.

Voted, to adjourn.

GEO. H. B. GREEN,
Town Clerk

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Joseph J. Kempkes	Term expires March 31, 1922
Roy G. Shaw	Term expires March 31, 1923
Frank E. Austin	Term expires March 31, 1923

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS *(To fill vacancies)*

*Daniel P. Spencer	Term expires Feb. 1922
*Fred F. Dewey	Term expires Feb. 1922

FENCE VIEWERS

*Arnold J. Rowe	William J. Sullivan	Henry McKillop
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FIELD DRIVERS

Dwight C. Nutting	*Dwight C. Randall
*George R. Davis	*Harry F. Putnam
Roderic L. Weston	*Eugene F. Flaherty

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Charles F. Austin

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

*Rudd E. Fairchild	*Robert E. Chamberlain
Daniel D. Hazen	*William F. Kimball
Frank S. Morris	Edward A. Fuller
*Arthur E. Warner	*Patrick J. Brown
*Paul E. Aldrich	

INSPECTORS OF MEAT

*Michael F. Austin, deceased	*Harry W. Conkey
*Fred E. Burnett	*James F. Moriarty
*Michael T. Cavanaugh (to fill vacancy)	

INSPECTOR OF CATTLE AND BARNs

*James A. Peeso

GYPSY MOTH INSPECTOR

Everett C. Howard

CARETAKER OF TOWN CLOCK

George B. Jackson

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

*John J. Fairchild

ASST. CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

*Carl F. Aspengren

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

*John J. Fairchild

DEPUTY FOREST FIRE WARDENS

*Guy C. Allen, Jr.	*Eugene F. Flaherty
*Clayton R. Green	Raymond L. Goodel

SPECIAL POLICE

*Michael J. Collins

(*Indicates qualified.)

Report of Town Clerk

FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1921

Births recorded for 1918	1
Births recorded for 1921	51
Males	24
Females	28
Of native born parentage	31
Of foreign born parentage	15
Of one native and one foreign born parent	6
Marriages recorded for 1919	5
Marriages recorded for 1920	1
Marriages recorded for 1921	18
Intentions filed	14
First marriages, males	22
First marriages, females	23
Second marriages, males	2
Second marriages, female	1
Deaths recorded	34
Males	16
Females	18
Native born	28
Foreign born	6
Instruments recorded	16

Dogs licensed, males, 204 @ \$2.00	\$408
Dogs licensed, females, 15 @ \$5.00	75
	\$4.83

Paid above (less fees) to County Treasurer.

MARRIAGES 1919 AND 1920

1919

- May 19 Ladislaus Miliszewski and Mary Czesnalewicz.
 26 Frank Giza and Karolina Jambora.
 July 28 Stephanus Cyapla and Julia Palyoda.
 Aug. 19 Joseph Szelewicki and Katalzyna Cymbalista.
 Sept. 30 Joseph Garstka and Nellie Lesniak.

1920

- Sept. 24 Carl Corliss and Thera L. Bond.

MARRIAGES 1921

- Jan. 1 William F. Kimball and Pearle A. Dunbar.
 24 Frederick W. Henderson and Florance D. Fervier.
 Mar. 23 Herbert I. Story and Alice C. Nutting.
 Apr. 24 John R. Newman, Jr. and Cora S. Burnett.
 June 18 Oscar J. Erickson and Olga Rudolph
 20 Thomas E. Hanifin and Catherine E. Moore.
 July 11 Stanley Kendzierki and Catherine Piskor.
 25 Anthony Mientka and Karolina Kos.
 Aug. 19 —————&—————
 Aug. 24 William E. Bridgman and Bernice A. Cook.
 29 John Mietelski and Veronica Kokorska.
 Sept. 3 Edward G. Sargent and Lura M. Eastman.
 24 Carleton E. White and Ruth E. Jackson.
 27 Michael J. Garvey and Mary Shea.
 Oct. 11 Joe Ridz and Anna Syper.
 Nov. 1 Valentine LaCosta and Maria Marzues.
 8 John Piechota and Katarzyna.
 Dec. 31 George H. Barrott and Esther L. Aikey.

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS RECORDED

	Child's Name	Parents' Names.
Jan.	3 Kenneth Douglas Witt	E. Clifton and Anna M. Coleman
	13 Carl Max Bock	Alfred B. and Mary Ring
	24 Virginia Clara Shaw	Bertram E. and Clarinda C. Ketchen
	26 Mildred Lillian Weston	Roderick and Lena Shepherd
Feb.	4 William Eugene Hamilton	Clinton M. and Mary E. Doane
	5 Dorothy Keyes	William D. and Arzelia St. Pierre
	6 Anna Kesmick	Lyman and Josie Byrick
Mar.	5 Ruthella Marion Conkey	Harry W. and Bertha M. Peeso.
	9 Michael Czeck	Stanislaw and Apolonia Kulik
	10 George Roger Kennedy	Daniel F. and Georgianna Williams
	21 Jennie Alvira Thomas	Edward B. and Edith M. Roberts
	26 Stillborn.	
Apr.	3 Agnes Zofia Skorsepski	Yan and Zofia Kardyna
	4 Edith Rose McLean	James and Rose Henrichan
	9 Alice Puta	Peter and Nellie Wallace
	10 Bronislaw Socha	Mathew and Victoria Rusin
	11 Phyllis Martha Hathaway	Clarence W. and Edith I. Hadlock
	20 Bronislara Sofia Strycharz	Antoni and Anna Labus
	21 Douglas Donald Lemon	Frank L. and Bertha Eaton
May	1 Milka Lisiewicz	Joseph and Marija Zorklinska
	23 Marya Karcz	Pitor and Julia Pietros
June	5 John Eureskus	Frank F. and Sadie Gundin
	6 Julia Bunk	Stanislaw and Aurrilla Zoinek
	8 Barbara Edna Ward	Edward S. and Daisy E. Ryan
	10 Mornka Lebida	Jan and Zofia Zajac
	11 Benny Dzwokwoski	Frank and Rosalia Kxoski

	12 Ferdinand Hager	William W. and Freida Lacher
	20 Helen Bertha Mientka	Anthony and Karolina Kos
July	9 Fred Dudley Walker, 3rd	Fred D., Jr. and Grace L. Harris
	17 Edith Irene Putnam	Harry F. and Rosabelle M. Olds
	21 Stillborn.	
	26 Dorothy Emeline Lovett	Bert F. and Elizabeth Kenfield
	26 Dorsil Louis Lovett	Bert F. and Elizabeth Kenfield
Aug.	8 Domenik Opidoski	Ignace and Nettie Pilch
	14 Josephine Elizabeth Lincoln	Frederick E. and Helen H. Brown
	23 Francis Nahorniale	Pauls and Stephania Maraj
	27 Everette Elmer Reid	Elmer E. and Anna Bock
	28 Alfred Augustine Gurski	Frank A. and Mary Kiwatz
	30 George Harrison Hussey	Albert E. and Mary Welch
Sept.	1 Dorothy Anna Grayson	Emory E. & Susie E. Squires
	5 Pauline Hazel Barrett	Paul H. and Dorothy P. Hooper
	14 Anthony Karalec	Stanislaw and Amelia Wibranicz
	28 Clinton William Wilson	Clinton and Agnes Cavanaugh
Oct.	14 Florence Eva Crump	Sylvanus C. and Jennie L. Bracey
	15 Richard Emery Squires	Lourine E. and Myra Dodge
Nov.	3 Robert F. Clapp	Charles W. and Margaret E. Hannon
	20 Herbert I. Story, Jr.	Herbert I. and Alice Nutting
	26 Helen Edith Brooks	George A. and Maude F. Bush
	27 William H. Sullivan, Jr.	William H. & Florence Atkins
	28 Sylvia Jane Pratt	Theron V. & Celia Blackmer
Dec.	11 Merton Frederick Alden	Merton I. & Edna S. Richards

DEATHS

Dates		Years	Months	Days
Jan.	3 Charles P. Baggs	75	2	15
	25 Martha Capen	88	9	30
	27 Frank M. Wilson	68	1	7
	29 Samuel K. Willson	33	10	20
Feb.	2 Mary R. Blackmer	78	7	5
	6 Lorain Hurlburt	84	1	28

	6 Anna Garnis	2	5	
Mar.	26 Stillborn.			
	27 William Landers	54	4	11
Apr.	13 Elmer W. Gravel	71	10	3
	18 James H. Robinson	37	7	5
	19 Masiej Gula	54	9	4
	20 Catherine Moynahan	75	1	
	29 Francis S. Wilson	70	8	21
May	7 Clara Powell	64	10	17
	7 Robert L. Bridgman	65	8	7
	7 Emma M. Fuller	89	6	15
	12 William D. Randolph	58	2	27
June	5 Edward A. Gildermeister	56	11	25
	25 Louise Pratt	76	11	26
July	21 Stillborn			
	22 Mary E. Richardson	60	0	3
Aug.	3 Catherine Fitzgerald	45	2	19
	8 Michael F. Austin	59		
	10 Daniel S. Squires	63	8	1
Oct.	30 Dorsil Louise Lovett		3	4
Nov.	5 Maria (Capen) Alden	91	6	14
	20 Douglas D. Lemon		6	29
Dec.	11 Myra L. Merriam	74	8	23
	14 Esther A. Davis	80	1	15
	21 Maria Ritchie	88		
	22 William Knowlton	70	3	23
	23 Rowena Slater	96	6	29
	28 Guy C. Allen	80	8	1

GEO. H. B. GREEN,
Town Clerk.

Assessors' Report

Valuation of real estate	\$ 886,555.00	
" personal estate	325,510.00	
		\$1,212,065.00

RATE OF TAXATION, \$33.40 PER THOUSAND

Tax on real estate	\$ 29,610.57	
" personal estate	10,872.40	
Poll tax	2,600.00	
		\$ 43,082.97

WE HAVE ASSESSED TAXES AS FOLLOWS:

Appropriations	\$ 50,862.50	
State tax	3,360.00	
County tax	2,499.70	
State highway tax	322.80	
Special state tax	158.40	
State bonus poll tax	1,560.00	
Overlay	365.84	
	\$ 59,129.24	
Estimated revenue	16,046.27	
		\$ 43,082.97
Added assessments	\$ 20.00	
Number of acres land assessed	32,683	
" horses	445	
" cows	1,256	
" sheep	6	
" neat cattle other than cows	419	

Number of swine	117
“ fowls	16,495
“ dwelling houses assessed	503
Residents assessed on property	561
Non- “ “ “	156
Polls only	162

ALMON L. PRATT
HENRY H. WITT
CLAYTON R. GREEN

Assessors of Belchertown

Audited January 2, 1922.

W. E. Shaw, Town Accountant

Collector's Report

Balance in Collector's hands Jan. 1, 1921 for taxes for 1919	\$ 116.42
He has collected interest to the amount of	18.49
Total	\$ 134.91
He has collected and paid the treasurer	\$ 134.91
Balance in collector's hands Jan. 1, 1921 for 1920 taxes	\$ 5,588.54
He has collected interest to the amount of	121.40
Total	\$ 5,709.94
He has collected and paid the treasurer including \$ 75.18 for abatements	5,241.84
Balance in collector's hands Jan. 1, 1922 for taxes for 1920	468.10
	\$ 5,709.94
The amount committed to your collector as per as- sessors' warrant dated May 14, 1921, for poll taxes	2,600.00
Added assessments	20.00
	\$ 2,620.00
He has collected and paid treasurer	
Total	2,620.00
The amount committed to your collector as per	

assessors' warrant dated August 25, 1921, for property taxes	\$ 40,482.97
He has collected interest from Oct. 15, 1921 to Jan. 1, 1922	35.80
Total	\$ 40,518.77
He has collected and paid the treasurer	32,507.83
Balance in collector's hands	\$ 8,010.94

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Collector*

Report of the Public Health Nurse

As district nurse I present the following report of my services from March 22, 1921 to Jan. 1st, 1922.

From the daily visit records:

Number of patients	52
“ nursing visits	262
Fees collected	\$54.95

LURA E. SARGENT, *District Nurse*

(Mrs. Sargent's report as school nurse will be found in the school department report.)

Selectmen's Report

The board organized with Rudd E. Fairchild, chairman, and Harry H. Ward, clerk.

The selectmen made the necessary appointments and have met one evening of each week during the year to transact such business as came before them.

The receipts for the year are	\$ 96,229.71
The expenditures	81,604.05
Leaving a balance of	14,625.66

R. E. FAIRCHILD

H. H. WARD

J. J. GARVEY

Selectmen of Belchertown

Report of Overseers of the Poor

Dec. 31, 1921

The number of persons aided and supported in their own homes and the homes of others is 39 and there are 18 persons who come under the Mothers' Aid Law. The income from the

benevolent endowments has given relief in many cases.

R. E. FAIRCHILD

H. H. WARD

J. J. GARVEY

Overseers of the Poor

Report of the Board of Health

Dec. 31, 1921

There have been 35 cases of contagious diseases from Mar. 1st to Dec. 31, 1921.

In March we were fortunate to procure the services of a nurse who has been a benefit and help to the people. We appreciate the good work done by Mrs. Lura Eastman Sargent and trust that she may continue with us.

R. E. FAIRCHILD

H. H. WARD

J. J. GARVEY

Board of Health

Itemized Report of Town

EXPENDITURES

General government

Legislative

G. H. B. Green, services as moderator	\$ 8.00	
R. E. Fairchild, expenses to Boston	6.83	
H. L. Hadlock, auto hire	8.50	
D. D. Hazen, expenses to Boston	9.24	\$ 32.57

Selectmen

F. O. Michel, auto hire	6.50	
H. H. Ward, auto hire	15.50	
L. H. Blackmer, printing	.60	
W. E. Shaw, typewriting warrants	10.00	
H. H. Ward, keys	2.00	
H. H. Ward, salary	100.00	
J. J. Garvey, "	100.00	
R. E. Fairchild "	125.00	359.60

Accountant

W. E. Shaw, salary	200.00
L. H. Blackmer, paper	2.20
L. H. Blackmer, printing vouchers	6.00

Commonwealth of Mass., treas. warrants	10.10	
" " " " classification forms	4.20	
Dalton Adding Machine Co., ribbon for adding machine	1.25	
W. E. Shaw, postage	1.10	224.85
Treasurer		
W. F. Nichols, salary	150.00	
W. F. Nichols, postage and expense	35.28	
L. H. Blackmier, envelopes	5.14	
G. F. Linclon, bond	25.00	215.42
Collector		
D. F. Shumway, collector salary 1920	25.00	
D. F. Shumway, collector salary 1921	200.00	
D. F. Shumway, bond, stationary & postage	50.00	275.00
Assessors		
Johnson's Bookstore, tax books	5.00	
Chas. H. Chase, title transfers	20.40	
Auto List Pub. Co., list of auto owners	6.00	
Hobbs & Warren, warrants	.55	
H. H. Witt, salary	150.00	
A. L. Pratt, "	150.00	
C. R. Green, "	150.00	481.95
Certification of notes		
Division of accounts, certification	2.00	2.00
Law		
W. L. Stevens, attorney's fees	15.00	
J. H. Schoonmaker, town counsel	36.80	
Sylvester Smith, witness expense	1.65	53.45
Town Clerk		
W. E. Shaw, salary Nov. and Dec. 1920	20.00	
W. E. Shaw, recording fees 1920	22.50	
postage and expense 1920	1.48	
salary Jan. 1 to Feb. 14	15.00	

W. E. Shaw, recording fees 1921	10.00	
postage and expense 1921	1.81	
administering four oaths	1.00	
telephone tolls	.75	
postage on town reports	7.00	
A. H. Bartlett, forms	3.66	
Carter's Ink Co., ink	1.33	
G. H. B. Green, printing, stationery, post-		
age and supplies	30.04	
recording fees	74.50	
administering oaths	15.50	
salary	20.43	225.00

Election & Registration

Roy G. Shaw, services as registrar 1920	23.00	
H. H. Ward, " " " "	8.68	
Roy G. Shaw, " " " " 1921	6.50	
W. E. Shaw, " " " "	10.00	
Joseph Kempkes, " " " "	11.50	
F. E. Austin, " " " "	11.50	
W. E. Shaw, rent for Mrs. LaCross	1.50	
Roy G. Shaw, auto hire	3.00	
R. M. Shaw, dinners for election officers	2.43	
F. E. Austin, election officer	3.50	
Louise Sherman, " "	3.50	
James Moriarty, " "	3.50	
F. G. Shaw, " "	3.50	
Mary Hanifin, " "	3.50	
Merrill Williams, " "	3.50	
Stanley DeMoss, " "	3.50	
A. R. Lewis, " "	3.50	
John Hawes, " "	3.50	
Timothy Garvey, " "	3.50	113.11

Town Hall

H. E. Atwood, janitor	62.20
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	35.17

Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	16.20	
E. G. Sargent, bulbs and repairs	8.45	
A. A. Atkins, sawing wood	1.40	
J. J. Garvey, wood	8.00	
J. W. Merrill, sawing wood	1.50	
D. D. Hazen, repairs	1.96	
R. M. Shaw, kerosene	.64	
D. D. Hazen, broom	1.25	
E. F. Shumway, wood	10.00	146.77
Fire Department		
B. F. Fellows, repairs on truck	4.25	
E. A. Fuller, coal	9.04	
H. F. Shaw, fire chief 1920	50.00	
H. F. Shaw, care of engine house	16.00	
F. O. Michel, repairs	1.50	
F. O. Michel, auto hire	2.00	
George E. Alderman, gasoline	1.65	
R. M. Shaw, "	3.25	
Acme Rubber Co., hose	14.40	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	9.00	
E. E. Gay, repairs	4.28	
E. E. Gay, chemicals	5.00	
J. J. Fairchild, care of engine house	15.00	
Three Rivers Fire Dept., services at Mc-		
Lean fire	55.00	
H. D. Hoag, services at fire	3.00	
C. R. Green, services at fire	2.90	196.27
Police Department		
J. J. Garvey, care of traffic light 1920	18.00	
J. J. Garvey, " " " " 1921	24.00	
D. H. Tillson, services in district court	48.48	
Guy C. Allen, Jr., " " " "	300.22	
Leon Williams, " " " "	10.16	
Guy C. Allen, Jr., services as constable	41.20	
D. F. Shumway, posting warrants	11.00	453.06

Forest Fires

Fighting fire

J. J. Fairchild	13.25
Harry Sessions	4.50
R. L. Goodell	7.00
James Lemon	4.60
Edward B. Parent	.40
William Atkins	.40
Guy C. Allen, Jr.	7.00
Robert Chamberlain	.40
Clinton Wilson	.40
Guy C. Allen, 3rd.	4.60
Frank Lemon	.80
Martin Crowe	2.40
Floyd Peeso	1.60
Harold Kimball	5.00
Arthur Preston	.60
Bert Shaw	.40
Orrin Bracey	4.20
William Chamberlain	3.00
Walter Dodge	4.20
George Dewey	3.00
Henry Pranaitis	.60
John Fletcher	.60
Milton Woods	4.20
C. W. Harris	.40
J. A. Harris	.40
Mrs. C. W. Harris	.40
J. F. Webb	.40
E. Webb	.40
A. M. Bennett	.40
Max Gollenbusch	.40
Mrs. Max Gollenbusch	.40
Earl Major	.40
William Plant	.40
Mrs. William Plant	.40

L. E. Smith	.40
Harry Plant	.40
C. R. Green	2.50
William Squires	1.60
Clifton Witt	2.60
Paul Aldrich	2.40
Herbert Randolph	2.40
C. A. Wilson	3.00
John Fitzgerald	1.80
James K. Sullivan	1.20
Bert Lovett	2.80
William Lane	2.00
George Clifford	2.00
Arnold Rowe	1.60
Henry McKillop, Jr.	3.60
William Austin	3.40
James Aldrich	2.40
Paul Austin	3.60
Robert Dunbar	3.40
Garfield Hubbard	3.60
John Woods, Jr.	3.60
Osborne Davis	3.60
Thomas Austin, Jr.	1.60
Lyman Hubbard	2.00
Martin Brown	4.60
Harold Pierce	1.60
Clarence Pierce	1.60
John Peterson	1.60
Herbert Shaw	1.60
C. A. Peeso	2.40
John Kitell	2.40
E. J. Lambert	2.60
M. Remillard	2.60
Theodore Hazen	2.80
Galan Fay	2.40
H. D. Hoag	2.40

Roy Aldrich	2.40
Watson Bardwell	3.60
Alvin Michel	2.40
George Jackson	.80
Frank Rhodes	.80
William Crump	5.60
Sylvanus Crump	4.00
George W. Burrows	2.00
Kenneth Burrows	2.00
Bert Butler	.80
John Brown	2.40
Philip Brown	3.00
Edward Snyder	1.80
Henry Baggs	1.80
Adolphus Germain	1.80
Peter Klapotoski	2.20
Frank Klapotski	1.20
F. G. Lee	2.20
Fred Burnett	1.60
Richard Brennan	1.80
Joseph Parent	1.80
John Stadler	1.80
Robert Baggs	1.80
Fred Dewey	1.80
Harold Hazen	1.20
Thomas Austin	1.20
Raymond Brown	1.20
Francis Allen	1.20
Fred Michiel	1.60
D. C. Nutting	1.60
Fred Alderman	1.80
Forest Fires	
John J. Fairchild, warden	18.85
Auto hire	
Harry Sessions	5.00

E. C. Howard	4.50	
Robert Chamberlain	2.00	
Frank Morris	3.50	
Guy C. Allen, Jr.	17.00	
Fred Michel	7.06	
Floyd Peeso	1.00	
C. A. Wilson	2.00	
Herbert Randolph	1.50	
Clifton Witt	8.00	
Martin Crowe	3.00	
C. R. Green	3.50	
William Squires	1.50	
Paul Aldrich	3.00	
D. C. Nutting	3.50	
Fred Alderman	2.00	
	311.76	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, forest fire equipment	42.50	
Forestry		
E. C. Howard, moth suppression	29.85	
George Kelley, tree warden	63.00	447.11
Sealer of Weights and Measures		
Charles F. Austin, sealer's salary	60.00	
W. & L. E. Gurley, sealer's supplies	6.50	66.50
Health		
F. E. Burnett, meat inspection	171.50	
J. F. Moriarty, " "	134.25	
M. F. Austin, " "	30.00	
H. W. Conkey, " "	46.25	
L. H. Blackmer, printing	2.38	
Roy G. Shaw, death returns for 1920	4.00	
J. L. Collard, M. D., birth returns for 1920	3.75	
E. F. Flaherty, animal inspection	150.00	

Charles Giroux, M. D., birth returns	1.75	
Raymond Goodell, posting cards	1.50	
J. A. Peeso, inspection of animals	15.00	
Roy G. Shaw, death returns 1921	4.50	
J. L. Collard, birth returns	5.00	569.88

Nurse

Lura Eastman Sargent, salary nine and one-third months	933.00	
George Alderman, telephone	.45	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	4.03	
Guy C. Allen, Jr., telephone	2.78	
Lura E. Sargent, supplies	14.14	

Nurse's Car

Registrar of Motor Vehicles, registrations	10.00	
J. L. Collard, battery recharge	1.25	
D. D. Hazen, insurance	33.00	
Frank Morris, repairs, gasoline, and oil	22.55	
George E. Alderman, gasoline	16.90	
D. D. Hazen, " "	3.00	
H. B. Ketchen, repairs, gasoline and oil	49.51	
Belchertown Motor Co., repairs	6.00	
W. D. Dunbar, repairs, battery, oil and alcohol	36.15	
R. E. Fairchild, gasoline	1.40	
E. G. Sargent, headlight lens and bulbs	3.75	
R. M. Shaw, gasoline and oil	5.05	
Lura E. Sargent, registration 1922	10.00	
Homer Couture, garage rent	1.25	
J. J. Fairchild, " "	20.00	
W. D. Dunbar, " "	7.00	1181.21

Highways under Chapter 155 of the Acts of 1918

Labor

F. M. Fuller	559.41
J. A. Peeso	350.62

J. J. Garvey	347.75
E. F. Shumway	97.00
G. B. Jackson	236.13
H. E. Atwood	301.92
Stanley DeMoss	111.87
B. A. Butler	270.79
Floyd Peeso	164.49
H. F. Shaw	4.57
Jerry Riley	34.10
E. J. Lambert	27.56
F. J. Webb	45.50
Robert Dunbar	81.80
Frank Sullivan	9.25
Thomas Austin	90.53
W. B. Ballou	59.20
Roderick Weston	28.00
George Weston	31.06
Rufus Pierce	31.50
John Ahern	5.25
Frank Howe	21.57
Robert N. Baggs	55.10
Henry Stevens	10.00
J. G. Ward	5.25
Frank Girski	5.25
A. P. Ward	6.56
Michael Condon	51.30
Fred Robinson	43.75
D. C. Nutting	13.08
Kenneth Bristol	17.50
Frank Rhodes	109.37
Edgar Shumway	5.25
Donald Eaton	40.80
Guy Prentiss	3.50
W. E. Eaton	61.25
Patrick Moriarty	11.63
W. A. Sauer	13.10

Alec Masse	3.00	
Otto Reimann	10.00	
John Brown	42.00	
Charles Shaw	12.80	
Raymond Gray	12.80	
J. J. Archambault	3.20	
George Digby	3.20	
Joseph Savage	2.30	
Malcom Eaton	31.18	
Alfred Sampson	3.20	
Frank Blanchard	9.60	
Hermon Couture	6.40	
Henry Bracey	3.20	
Howard McLean	3.20	
Louaine Squires	4.80	
Ambrose Tatro	9.60	
Fred Bisnette	3.20	
Charles Dunakin	3.20	
Thomas Sullivan	9.60	
Leander Tatro	9.60	
E. F. Flaherty	9.60	
M. P. Bowler	7.00	
Earl Hutchinson	39.15	
Earl Webb	3.50	
Pernett Bracey	9.18	
A. M. Bennett	28.00	
Robert Allen	10.00	
Patrick Early	4.37	
H. W. Conkey	45.50	
Harold Davis	28.00	
John Fletcher	14.00	
Earl Witt	10.50	
Louis Shumway	17.50	
William Colegrove	2.18	
Roy Shaw	3.50	3,780.62

Truck Drivers

Robert Harwood	40.00	
George Severance	481.00	
J. LaBombard	15.00	536.00

Steamroller Engineer

Thomas Matthews	42.00	42.00
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Automobile and Truck Hire

B. A. Butler	21.00	
F. M. Fuller	145.50	
F. M. Fuller, for drilling machine	15.00	
J. A. Peeso	11.00	192.50

Tractors

E. B. Thomas	36.00	
Alfred Hultz	2.00	38.00

Teams

George Akers	228.00	
Thomas Pratt	23.00	
W. S. Piper	216.00	
William Sullivan	9.75	
James McLean	23.00	
Patrick Moriarty	59.50	
E. F. Flaherty	33.00	
J. A. Peeso	102.00	
Victor Marcil	2.50	
E. F. Shumway	192.00	
J. W. Hurlburt	142.75	
W. A. Sauer	30.00	
E. A. Fuller	31.00	
H. H. Witt	47.00	
Frank Sullivan	21.00	
Maurice Moriarty	21.00	
M. P. Bowler	25.00	
Joseph Noel	6.00	
D. C. Nutting	9.10	

Ernest Wright	8.50	
James Moriarty	5.00	
Peter Hanifin	2.00	
Edward Steche	2.00	
James Hebert	56.00	
E. B. Thomas	8.00	
W. J. Holcomb	5.00	1,308.10
Gasoline and Oil		
R. E. Fairchild	85.99	
R. M. Shaw	169.95	
H. B. Ketchen	74.62	
F. M. Fuller	8.75	339.31
Tools		
R. E. Fairchild	3.25	
R. M. Shaw	4.95	
D. D. Hazen	25.14	
Atlantic Road Mach. Co., scraper	300.00	
J. A. Sullivan & Co.	2.92	
C. A. Maynard Co.	6.17	342.43
Gravel		
Carrie Davis	12.50	
Willis Ballou	1.10	
M. J. McKillop	20.00	
M. H. Jejeian	4.50	
Fred Bisnette	2.50	
Alois Zitka	9.50	
Sarah Green	2.30	
Mary Sullivan	10.20	
Patrick Shea	2.40	
Frank Lincoln	2.50	67.50
Culverts		
New England Metal Culvert Co.	397.84	397.84
Repairs		
B. E. Shaw	19.85	

A. E. Dodge	9.00	
Good Roads Mach. Co.	4.27	
H. H. Witt	1.00	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., scraper blades	27.50	
Coal for Roller		
Union Coal & Wood Co.	25.00	
Dynamite		
J. B. Sibley & Son	65.00	151.62
Freight		
R. E. Fairchild	7.51	7.51
		7,203.43

Note—The above account includes the expenditures made on the repairs of Walnut Street. The State has charged \$723.99 for use of trucks on Chapter 155 work in addition to the pay for the truck drivers, gasoline and oil listed above. This amount will be deducted from the allotment of \$3000 made under the provisions of the act for this town for 1921. Also the town will be charged \$14.97 for use of trucks in work on highways around the center of the town which do not come under the provisions of Chapter 155. This amount will also be deducted from the State allotment and has been credited to the amount charged to the State on the Chapter 155 account and charged to the town General Highway account.

Highways, General

W. D. Morse, labor	12.00
William Holcomb	2.00
Ira Squires	2.00
Edward Bisnette	3.20
George Bisnette	3.20

F. E. Higgins	6.00	
John B. Shea	26.00	
William Robare	3.20	
Ernest Bush	8.00	
F. M. Fuller	27.00	
B. A. Butler	3.50	
G. B. Jackson	29.10	
Kenneth Bristol	3.50	
Stanley DeMoss	29.10	
H. E. Atwood	29.40	
Earl Hutchinson	3.50	
J. J. Garvey	34.00	
Michael Condon	22.40	
Thomas Austin	22.40	
Patrick Moriarty	12.00	281.50
Robert Harwood, truck driver	5.00	
George Severance, " "	10.00	15.00
George Akers, team	51.00	
Fred Lincoln, "	4.00	
Thomas Brown, "	12.00	
W. S. Piper, "	79.00	
E. F. Shumway, "	3.50	
Lincoln Cook, "	49.00	
E. A. Fuller, "	49.00	
E. F. Flaherty, "	21.00	268.50
F. M. Fuller, truck	8.00	8.00
M. J. McKillop, gravel	9.00	
W. S. Piper, "	26.60	
A. Zitka, "	5.00	40.60
D. D. Hazen, tools	4.25	
R. M. Shaw, lanterns	3.00	
J. A. Peeso, ties	6.80	
L. H. Blackmer, signs	4.45	
E. O. Stebbins, "	20.00	

Ellen Nutting, watering trough	5.00	
W. F. Schwarz, " " repairs	2.00	
George Claflin, " " "	14.90	
Fred Quinn, care of lantern	5.00	
R. E. Fairchild, gasoline and oil	7.40	
H. A. Coolbeth, " " "	12.88	
A. E. Dodge, sharpening drills	1.50	
J. A. Peeso, transportation	20.00	107.18
Dr. J. L. Collard, damage to car	60.50	
W. D. Dunbar, repairs on Collard car	42.50	
Frank Peeso, damage to car	6.30	109.30
C. R. Aldrich, snow and ice labor	4.00	
H. B. Ketchen, " "	15.00	
J. A. Peeso, " "	6.00	
Floyd Peeso, " "	3.00	
John D. Shea, " "	10.50	
George A. Shea " "	10.50	
Patrick Moriarty, " "	8.55	
W. S. Piper, " "	2.00	
C. A. Mayo, " "	14.00	
P. G. Bracey, " "	4.00	
Frank Bach, " "	3.20	
A. P. Ward, " "	2.80	
H. S. Pratt, " "	1.00	
T. V. Pratt, " "	4.80	
Earl Webb, " "	2.40	
J. F. Webb, " "	2.40	
George Kelley, " "	12.00	
Frank Lemon " "	8.00	
Lincoln Cook, " "	4.00	
Clifford Rawson " "	13.00	
Harry Aldrich, " "	5.00	
John Ahern, " "	2.00	
Orrin Bracey, " "	4.00	
Henry Bracey, " "	4.00	

W. J. Holcomb, snow and ice labor	1.00	
W. B. Ballou, "	1.00	
George Kelley, use of truck in clearing roads	8.00	156.15
Street signs expenses by special committee		
H. H. Ward, posts	10.50	
H. W. Conkey, sawing posts	2.25	
G. H. B. Green, agent, signs, setting posts, etc.	87.00	99.75
Central Mass. Electric Co., street lights	1,537.71	1,537.71
Bridges		
F. M. Fuller, Labor	43.00	
J. A. Peeso, "	10.00	
J. J. Garvey, "	4.50	
W. D. Dunbar, "	59.50	
H. D. Hoag, "	6.00	
C. R. Aldrich, "	6.00	
D. F. Shumway, " spikes & team	23.25	
B. A. Butler, "	1.31	
Floyd Peeso, "	6.56	
George Jackson, "	3.50	
George Severance, "	6.00	
George Davis, "	12.00	
Clayton Leete, "	9.60	
John Brown, "	3.20	
W. E. Eaton, "	3.50	
Donald Eaton, "	3.50	201.42
F. M. Fuller, truck and auto hire	82.00	
W. D. Dunbar, " " "	3.00	85.00
Andrew Oleksak, plank	49.50	
T. D. Potter, "	10.73	
F. M. Fuller, "	67.50	
E. R. Peeso, "	19.74	
G. M. Kelley, "	9.45	
Town Farm, " and stringers	165.43	

R. M. Shaw, spikes	1.60	
D. D. Hazen, "	6.74	330.69
		\$ 617.11

Enfield highway

Charles F. Austin, stone and gravel	10.00	
F. E. Austin, " "	50.00	
George Dwight, " "	50.00	
H. W. Conkey, hammer handles	3.60	113.60

Turkey Hill, Ludlow road

E. F. Shumway, superintendent	398.74	
W. E. Eaton, labor	89.90	
J. J. Archambault, "	263.87	
Fred Croney, "	17.50	
J. W. Hurlburt, team	501.73	
James Hebert, "	519.23	
Joseph Noel, "	397.98	
E. E. Gay, "	385.94	
E. F. Shumway, "	342.87	
Irving Carey, "	379.25	
C. R. Green, "	127.29	
E. B. Thomas, "	113.32	
W. A. Sauer, "	35.00	
H. F. Putnam, "	49.00	
R. N. Baggs, "	21.00	
Orrin Davis, labor	58.47	
Charles Dunakin, "	238.11	
Alfred Samson, "	189.40	
Harold Booth, "	152.66	
Newell Booth, "	74.68	
George Digby, "	112.11	
Andrew Welczek, "	179.81	
John Smalla, "	24.50	
Raymond Gray, "	144.81	
F. R. Bruce, "	24.50	

Francis Croney, water boy	17.01	
Chester Cook, labor	10.50	
Donald Eaton, "	221.51	
Malcolm Eaton, "	204.51	
Eugene Dick, "	211.71	
Frank Blanchard, "	186.01	
William Connor, "	132.41	
Earl Witt, "	44.66	
Harold Davis, "	99.30	
Edgar Shumway, "	40.50	
Charles Shaw, "	96.50	
R. N. Baggs, "	153.40	
Fay Ayres, "	43.10	
Lester Allen, "	46.40	
Carl White, "	25.60	
J. A. Peeso, "	12.50	
George Jackson, "	82.20	
F. M. Fuller, "	8.75	
A. Germain, "	29.60	
A. Vezina, "	15.00	
Leon Williams, "	91.40	
Harold Giles, "	80.80	
George Severance, truck driver	19.38	
Robert Harwood, " "	19.38	
Frank Smalla, labor	61.60	
Pernett Bracey, "	12.40	
Garfield Hubbard, "	19.20	
A. M. Bennett, "	12.40	
Earl Fay, "	12.40	
Peter Smalla, "	13.80	
George Clifford, "	24.80	
W. D. Dunbar, "	2.50	6,892.90
Theron V. Pratt, stakes	14.50	
J. A. Sullivan & Co., picks	7.14	
C. A. Maynard Co., shovels	30.83	

A. E. Dodge, sharpening drills	3.25	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	75.81	
R. M. Shaw, lanterns, etc.	6.85	
R. E. Fairchild, gasolene, etc.	21.40	
J. B. Sibley & Son, dynamite	11.50	
R. M. Shaw, pick handles, etc.	3.25	
Joseph Noel, care of lantern	10.56	
Mrs. Fred Croney, care of lantern	12.00	
R. M. Shaw, gasolene	1.50	
M. J. McKillop, gravel	32.94	
F. M. Fuller, truck hire for transportation of drilling machine	5.00	
Ryther & Warren, lime	.75	
E. E. Gay, plow points and fuse	6.40	243.68

\$ 7,136.48

On this account the Commonwealth has deducted the sum of \$73.92 from its allotment of \$2,000. for truck hire.

Three Rivers Road

Labor

J. A. Peeso	\$ 97.50
Fred Quinn	58.00
Arthur LaBonte	16.00
Peter Cameron	41.60
Stanley Wilczek	44.80
Harry Strong	9.00
H. E. Fay	9.20
A. M. Bennett	9.20
Pernett Bracey	9.20
James McLean	36.80
John Bodna	29.20
John Bigos	6.40
Raymond Brown	3.20
Wilfred Babineau	12.80
Arthur Bolduc	12.80

Arthur LaFrance	12.80	
Clarence Mills	8.00	
W. D. Dunbar	5.00	
Raymond Holcomb	25.20	
Louis Dupree	19.20	
H. E. Atwood	9.60	
Charles Dunakin	12.80	
F. M. Fuller	5.00	493.30

Teams

James McLean	126.00	
Patrick Moriarty	101.50	
Albert Brown	98.00	
M. F. Bowler	84.87	
Patrick Kennedy	35.00	445.37

W. D. Dunbar, transportation	1.50	
F. M. Fuller, truck	2.50	
Theron Pratt, stakes	2.00	
C. A. Maynard Co., shovels	9.34	
R. M. Shaw, tools and supplies	3.76	
Sarah Green, gravel	23.10	
A. S. Geer, "	17.10	
Clifton Witt, cartage	2.00	61.30

\$ 999.97

Bondsville Road

Labor

J. J. Garvey	115.25
J. A. Peeso	104.06
H. E. Atwood	57.00
Frank Howe	73.60
Thomas Sullivan	57.60
Thomas Austin	57.60
William Connor	3.20
Adolphus Germain	3.20

Stanley Kroll	67.20
Michael Condon	44.80
Mark Kozlin	3.20
John Gould	6.40
F. M. Fuller	4.06

Teams

Peter Hanifin	49.00
E. F. Flaherty	49.00
Daniel O'Connor	59.94
Patrick Kennedy	98.00
James Moriarty	14.00
W. D. Dunbar, transportation	10.00
T. V. Pratt, stakes	2.00
J. B. Sibley & Son, dynamite	30.00
A. E. Dodge, sharpening drills	5.50
C. A. Maynard Co., shovels	9.33
Mary Sullivan, gravel	61.80
Patrick Kennedy, gravel	11.50

Outside Poor

Dr. W. B. Smith, medical attendance	52.50
Alice Mosher, nursing	28.00
W. D. Morse, auto hire	12.00
Fred Michel, " "	3.00
Dr. J. L. Collard, medical attendance	2.50
R. G. Shaw, burial expenses	95.00
Monson State Hospital, X-ray	4.00
Sundry persons, board and care	922.00
Sundry persons, cash, including relief from Susan Bridgman Fund	306.75
City of Holyoke, relief	75.00
R. E. Fairchild, groceries	108.07
D. D. Hazen, " "	40.05
H. A. Hopkins, clothing	6.65
Herbert Humphrey, rent	27.00
Mrs. Fred Croney, milk	7.30

A. Vezina, bakery	3.90	
Mothers' Aid		
P. J. Fitzgerald, groceries	48.92	
Springfield Hospital, board and care	134.50	
Dr. J. P. Schneider, medical attendance	24.00	
Mrs. P. J. Keyes, rent	96.00	
Town of Palmer, relief	66.23	
Dr. W. B. T. Smith, medical attendance	14.00	
Sundry persons, cash allowances	364.00	2441.37
Poor		
Town Farm, January 1 to March 31		
E. Clifton Witt, warden	174.99	
B. A. Butler, labor	45.00	
H. C. Dodge, labor	9.00	
A. H. Phillips, groceries	89.00	
Spooner & Co., meat	9.02	
Carl Aspengren, groceries & prov.	32.38	
R. M. Shaw, groceries & prov.	7.17	
H. A. Hopkins, dry goods, clothing	6.40	
D. D. Hazen, watch	2.25	
D. D. Hazen, repairs	6.78	
D. D. Hazen, miscellaneous	5.96	
E. A. Fuller, grain	181.95	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	6.61	
R. O. Baggs, pigs and calf	22.00	
R. M. Shaw, feed bag	1.50	
W. D. Dunbar, ice	18.80	
B. E. Shaw, blacksmithing	8.30	
E. E. Gay, washings	5.00	
B. F. Fellows, harness repairs	3.75	
J. W. Jackson, paper	1.50	
J. W. Jackson, bakery	5.88	
G. C. Allen, Jr., taking pauper to Tewksbury	20.96	664.22

Town Farm, Ties and Plank, January 1 to
March 31

Peter Pierce, chopping	115.12	
Peeso & Conkey, sawing	18.51	
Town Farm, hauling ties	105.69	239.32

Poor

Town Farm April 1 to December 31

Charles Rhodes, warden	299.97	
Mrs. H. D. Hoag, nursing	20.00	
Grace Brown, "	25.00	
Guy Lamson, labor	15.75	
H. M. Lamson, "	13.00	
George Weston, "	7.00	
Roderick Weston, labor	7.00	
E. L. Kimball, "	12.00	
Ludwick Orloski, "	4.00	
Clifton Hamilton, "	31.00	
Henry Aikey, "	81.00	
G. C. Leete, "	34.50	
Rufus Pierce, "	4.00	
B. A. Butler, "	48.25	
Henry Couture, labor with machine	34.00	
Henneman & Dugroo, labor with team	7.00	
Sundry persons, labor (paid by warden)	34.50	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	11.13	
A. H. Phillips, groceries	113.14	
Carl Aspengren, "	38.83	
R. E. Fairchild, "	108.01	
D. D. Hazen, "	39.01	
R. M. Shaw, "	228.56	
H. A. Hopkins, dry goods	23.11	
R. M. Shaw, " "	2.00	
W. J. Holcomb, potatoes	37.50	
A. L. Pratt, sawing wood	10.00	
E. A. Fuller, grain	305.85	

Ryther & Warren, grain	761.95	
R. L. Goodell, . "	70.40	
B. E. Shaw, blacksmithing	41.95	
F. E. Burnett, clipping horses	5.00	
C. M. Rhodes, miscellaneous	1.65	
C. G. Bartlett, medicine	18.30	
E. C. Howard, spraying	13.00	
Roderick Weston, stock service	2.50	
E. A. Fuller, corn planter	28.00	
E. A. Fuller, grindstone	7.50	
D. D. Hazen, rope	5.40	
E. A. Fuller, machine parts	7.25	
R. M. Shaw, miscellaneous	1.17	
R. M. Shaw, stake chains etc.	6.90	
L. D. Nutting, seed rye	18.90	
R. M. Shaw, axe, potato hook etc.	7.25	
D. D. Hazen, nails, padlock, etc.	2.23	
E. A. Fuller, fertilizer	104.12	
R. E. Fairchild, "	85.00	
Dr. F. H. Harvey, false teeth	12.00	
J. W. Jackson, newspaper	4.50	
Chas. Rhodes, warden's cash account	41.61	
Clinton Hamilton, pasture rent	22.00	
Dr. F. M. Austin, veterinary service	9.00	
B. F. Fellows, harness repairs	7.10	2,882.79
Lumber and ties account		
Alec Masse, chopping	103.75	
T. V. Pratt, measuring wood	2.50	
H. W. Conkey, sawing lumber	23.93	
B. A. Butler, getting out ties and lumber	66.50	196.68
State Aid		
State Aid	1056.00	
Soldier's Burial	60.00	1,116.00

Schools

A. R. Lewis, superintendent's salary	1800.00	
A. R. Lewis, traveling expenses	169.25	
E. A. Geer, committee salary	40.00	
E. A. Geer, repairs, truck hire, express, expenses, telephone and fuel	59.96	
E. Clifton Witt, committee salary	50.00	
E. Clifton Witt, truck hire, telephone, express, fuel and repairs	42.98	
Leila S. Curtis, committee salary	40.00	
Leila S. Curtis, telephone	2.00	
J. L. Collard, M. D., school physician	35.00	
D. F. Shumway, attendance officer	30.00	
A. R. Lewis, school census	25.00	
B. & M. R. R. freight	1.49	
E. Clifton Witt, freight and express	27.13	
Thomas Allen, " "	1.57	
W. F. Nichols, " "	7.49	
Fred Michel, " "	11.12	2,342.99

Ordinary repairs

C. R. Aldrich, labor	80.40	
H. D. Hoag, "	66.28	
Clifton Witt, " cartage, etc	18.50	
G. A. Hussey, "	41.50	
D. D. Hazen, materials	46.67	
J. K. Sullivan, labor	4.10	
H. L. Hadlock, "	34.00	
W. S. Piper, "	1.50	
C. Jensen, "	5.00	
Ryther & Warren, fence	5.75	
Thomas Allen, labor and material	2.84	
James A. Chaffee, "	3.75	
E. E. Gay, material	12.50	
Holyoke Valve & Hydrant Co., heating supplies	1.17	

Holyoke Supply Co., heating supplies	16.51	
F. L. Nooney, labor	21.95	
H. B. Ketchen, "	2.77	
B. F. Fellows, "	1.40	366.59

Temporary school rooms

W. D. Dunbar, labor	103.50	
James Aldrich, "	1.60	
Clifton Witt, labor, cartage etc	81.07	
G. A. Hussey, "	108.67	
Walter Dodge, "	4.80	
T. D. Potter, materials	170.41	
R. M. Shaw, "	45.71	
D. D. Hazen, "	30.13	545.89

Community House

H. D. Hoag, labor	84.25	
Clifton Witt, " and cartage	31.36	
D. D. Hazen, materials, chairs, etc	207.02	
E. W. Coombes	6.40	
Michael Condon, labor	14.48	
T. V. Pratt, lumber	14.35	
T. D. Potter, materials	38.33	
Ketchen & Shaw, labor	.75	
Mutual Plumbing and Heating Co.		
labor and materials	18.06	
J. W. Merrill, labor	5.00	
Community League Inc., rent	80.00	500.00

Janitors

H. R. Gould	894.25
James K. Sullivan	207.80
Margaret Landers	14.75
Walter Dodge	7.50
Raymond Dunbar	2.20
Grace Stuart	10.00
Violet Page	10.00

Emma Stadler	10.00	
Bridget Fitzgerald	12.00	
Lucy Bowler	10.00	
Anna M. Kennedy	3.50	
Mabel Randolph	10.00	1,192.00
Cleaning		
Mrs. M. Condon	4.76	
John Merrill	8.00	
Jane Pierce	7.73	
Mrs. Herbert Pierce	13.21	
Mrs. Almon Lovett	7.00	
Mrs. Annie Piepros	5.75	
Howard McLean	2.00	
Mrs. Rufus Pierce	1.00	
E. M. Landers	2.00	
Emma Stadler	2.00	53.45
Books and Supplies		
E. E. Babb & Co.	506.06	
American Book Co.	195.64	
Allen & Bacon	62.25	
Benj. H. Sanborn	36.52	
Harvard University Press	2.45	
Macmillan Co.	27.68	
L. E. Knott App. Co.	4.60	
Houghton Mifflin Co.	3.94	
D. C. Heath	188.35	
Ginn & Co.	170.30	
Lorenz Pub. Co.	7.58	
The Beal Press	8.00	
Teachers' salaries		
Thomas Allen	1,800.00	
Alice Coon	1,220.00	
Josepha Perry	1,220.00	
Elsie Shattuck	847.88	

Edith Towne	790.00	
Ruby Knight	790.00	
Ella Stebbins	614.75	
Nellie Shea	790.00	
Helen Keys	690.00	
Irene Orlando	750.00	
Grace Stewart	790.00	
Violet Page	790.00	
Emma Stadler	750.00	
Bridget Fitzgerald	790.00	
Mabel Randolph	634.75	
Lucy Bowler	690.00	
Marion Bartlett	33.62	
Gladys Gay	87.00	
Florence Clough	321.50	
Mary C. Sullivan	288.00	
Ardelle Hinds	60.00	
Madeline Orlando	3.75	
Raymond Brewer	351.44	
Celia Pratt	42.00	15,144.69

Transportation

George Moytaka	216.00
Peter Hanifin	48.00
Theodore Hazen	236.00
Clinton Rhodes	236.00
George Hussey	117.00
M. F. Austin	72.00
James Garvey	31.50
E. E. Gay	146.00
E. F. Flaherty	80.00
Paul Austin	32.00
Thomas Austin	19.50
Margaret Landers	32.00
A. Vezina	150.00
Milton George	35.50

D. C. Randall	56.00
Edward Shuttleworth	40.00
Alfreda Hubbard	22.00
Frank Rhodes	156.00
Clifton Witt	880.00
J. W. Merrill	645.00
H. D. Geer	140.00
Ernest Booth	120.00
Eleanor Fitzgerald	26.52
John Flaherty	26.52
John Gove	17.70
James Keyes	26.52
John Kroll	26.31
Thomas Landers	26.31
Frank Rys	26.52
Lucy Sufnaski	26.52
Cassie Sullivan	26.52
Charles Dudek	27.15
Elizabeth Merriam	52.83
John Fitzgerald	66.30
James Sullivan	66.72
Catherine Landers	65.67
Albert Bigda	49.05
Statia Gula	76.02
Raymond Brown	58.61
Cora Gula	31.08
Irene McLean	29.82
John Socha	28.96
Paul Bowler	36.56
Clayton Bolter	31.92
June Atwood	5.28
Ralph Goodell	21.42
Marion Randolph	19.92
Marie Pratt	2.99
Daniel Kennedy	48.00
Charles Booth	74.00

Michael Keyes	36.49	
Mildred Sullivan	39.57	
Deloris Moguin	24.11	
Howard McLean	13.02	
Dana Gollenbusch	25.00	
Orrin Bracy	16.00	
Garfield Hubbard	40.00	4,726.43
Books and supplies -continued		
Florence Clough	13.83	
Clapp Memorial Library	5.90	1,221.10
Fuel		
E. A. Fuller	577.33	
Brown Bros.	347.30	
Clifton Witt	7.00	
H. H. Witt	79.33	
T. D. Potter	142.13	
Peter Hanifin & Son	32.00	
E. C. Witt	83.50	
Estate of W. D. Randolph	41.50	
Thomas Spellman	29.00	1,339.09
Janitors' supplies		
R. M. Shaw	9.49	9.49
Tuition		
Town of Pelham	40.50	40.50
All other		
Clifton Witt, flagpoles	20.00	
Singer Sewing Mach. Co., machine	50.00	
Boston Duck Co., water rent	14.00	
F. D. Walker, " "	25.00	
L. H. Blackmer, printing	20.47	
L. H. Blackmer, advertising	.50	
Republican Pub. Co. "	1.20	
Robert Rathburn, shovelling coal	5.00	

Alfred H. Foote, boiler insp.	2.00	
Russell Erwin Co., keys	1.12	
Town of Granby, books and desks	117.00	
Town of Enfield, desks and supplies	57.00	
D. D. Hazen, chairs	185.60	
E. E. Sargent, stoves	10.00	
Federated Church, lights	5.85	
J. A. Peeso, rent	10.00	524.74
Total for schools		\$28,006.96

Unclassified

D. D. Hazen, insurance	982.35	
G. H. B. Green, administering oaths	2.75	
L. H. Blackmer, cut for ballots	2.75	
L. H. Blackmer, printing town reports	224.06	
L. H. Blackmer, ballots	16.40	
G. B. Jackson, care of clock	48.00	
J. J. Fairchild, repairs on clock	4.50	
F. B. Purdy, " " "	58.35	
Chauncey Walker Post A. L. Memorial		
Day	125.00	
H. W. Ballou, painting roll of honor	20.00	
Hampshire County Farm Bureau	100.00	
F. D. Walker, repairs on pump	16.50	
H. H. Barrett, public dump	15.00	
E. A. Geer, auto hire for school building		
com.	12.00	
D. D. Hazen, repairs on clock	4.04	
H. D. Hoag, cleaning school grounds	6.12	
B. A. Butler, " " "	14.00	
Henry Aikey, " " "	14.00	
Frank Lemon, " " "	14.00	
H. H. Ward, " " "	17.50	1,697.32

Cemeteries

Fred Nooney, tools	37.75	
D. D. Hazen, paint	2.00	
Roy Aldrich, labor	3.50	
Daniel P. Spencer, labor	57.00	
Fred F. Dewey, "	78.00	
G. C. Allen, Jr., "	65.50	
Paul Aldrich, auto hire	2.50	246.25

Interest

Amherst National Bank Interest on Revenue Loan	166.67	166.67
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Municipal Indebtedness

Amherst National Bank, Revenue Loan 10,000.00	10,000.00	
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Agency, Trust and Investment

Amherst Savings Bank Investment of perpetual care funds	450.00	
Kirk H. Stone, county tax	2,499.70	
Trust Funds, cemetery perpetual care fund bond (rec'd as cash)	50.00	
Commonwealth of Mass. poll tax, 1921	9.00	
" " " state tax	3,360.00	
" " " civilian war poll tax	1,560.00	
" " " state highway tax	322.80	
" " " special state tax	158.40	

Care of Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund lots

Daniel P. Spencer,	46.50	
G. C. Allen, Jr.,	52.00	
F. F. Dewey,	76.50	
Levi Dudley,	10.00	8,594.90

Transfers

Calvin Bridgman Fund income to Clapp Memorial Library	202.50	
Dog Licenses " " " "	363.70	

Susan Bridgman Fund income		
Clapp Memorial Library	50.00	616.20
Total Expenditures for 1921		<u>\$ 81,604.05</u>
W. E. SHAW		
Belchertown, January 6, 1921		

Report of Town Accountant

CLASSIFICATION OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE

Poll taxes, 1921	\$2620.00
Taxes of 1921	32,472.03
Taxes of 1920	5,045.26
Taxes of 1919	116.42
State Income tax, 1918	24.00
“ “ “ 1919	72.00
“ “ “ 1920	360.00
“ “ “ 1921	696.00
“ “ “ schools	5,450.00
Corporation tax, 1920	272.51
“ “ foreign, 1920	5.34
“ “ “ 1921	3.50
“ “ public service	244.68
“ “ domestic	6.36
“ “ section 2, Chapter	
375, Acts of 1921	239.59
National Bank tax	215.10
Pool licenses	4.00

Show licenses	7.00
Butchers "	7.00
Auctioneer's licenses	2.00
Court fines	462.94
Massachusetts school fund	3,622.25
" superintendency fund	1,297.81
Highways, Chapter 155, Acts of 1918	1,918.11
Institution land tax	357.15
Soldiers' exemptions	150.58
Dog licenses (from County)	363.70
Ludlow road from individuals	1,210.50
From county	2,000.00
From state	1,926.08

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

Town hall	\$ 5.00
Nurse fees	54.95
Inspection of animals	75.00
Enfield highway	9,771.10
Town farm January 1-March 31	563.46
April-December 31	1,729.65
Ties	426.65
Lumber	165.43
Poor department reimbursements	
From individuals	138.70
" Greenfield	90.50
" State	2.43
" " Mothers' Aid	258.33
State Aid	1,162.00
Tuition of State wards	749.25
High school insurance	2,500.00
Interest on deposits	259.01
" " taxes	175.69
Income from funds	
Cemetery perpetual care	314.32
Susan Bridgman poor	280.00

G. D. Longley music	105.39
Calvin Bridgman library	202.50
“ “ high school	303.75
Revenue loan	10,000.00
For investment	
Cemetery perpetual care	
Cash \$450.00	
Bond 50.00	500.00
Refunds	
Soldiers' burial	60.00
Forest fire	.80
School	2.30
CASH DECEMBER 31, 1920	5,161.59
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR 1921	\$ 96,229.71

BALANCE SHEET

Dec. 31, 1921

ASSETS

Cash		
General	\$ 13,588.63	
Trust fund	1,037.03	\$14,625.66
Accounts Receivable		
Taxes of 1920	468.10	
Taxes of 1921	8,010.94	8,479.04
Departmental Bills		
State, Chapter 155, Acts of 1918	349.82	
" State Aid	1,116.00	
" Mothers' Aid	113.50	
City of Springfield, relief	180.81	
Town of South Hadley, relief	129.51	
B. & M. R. R., forest fires	88.80	
Hampden R. R., planking bridge	61.48	
Charles Austin, sealer's fees	23.39	2,063.31
Overdrawn Accounts		
Highways, Chapter 155, Acts of 1918	345.37	345.37
		\$ 25,513.38

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Cash and securities	\$ 22,614.32
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LIABILITIES

Overlayings, levy of 1921	\$ 365.84	
" balance " " 1920	468.10	
" reserve	1,308.05	\$2,141.99
Surplus Revenue		
1920 and prior	12,684.80	
1921	7,549.85	20,234.65
Appropriations Balances		
Reserve fund	36.40	36.40
Departmental Revenue		2,063.31
Trust Fund Income Balances		
Susan Bridgman poor fund	304.56	
" " cemetery fund	10.12	
G. D. Longley music fund	98.43	
Calvin Bridgman school fund	303.75	
" " library "	202.50	
Cemetery perpetual care "	117.67	1,037.03
		\$25,513.38

TRUST ACCOUNTS

G. D. Longley music fund	\$ 2,219.94	
Calvin Bridgman library fund	4,000.00	
" " high school	6,000.00	
Susan Bridgman poor fund	3,500.00	
" " cemetery fund	200.00	
Cemetery perpetual care funds	6,694.38	\$22,614.32

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND BALANCES

Account	Appropriation	Reserve Transfers	Available Receipts	Expended	Balance
Legislative	\$ 50.00			\$ 32.57	\$ 17.43
Selectmen	425.00			359.60	65.40
Accountant	225.00			224.85	.15
Treasurer	225.00			215.42	9.58
Clerk	225.00			225.00	
Certification	10.00			2.00	8.00
Collector	275.00			275.00	
Assessors	470.00	\$ 11.95		481.95	
Law	50.00	3.45		53.45	
Election and Registration	100.00	14.61		113.11	1.50
Hall	175.00		\$ 5.00	146.77	33.23
Police	100.00	115.12	462.94	453.06	225.00
Fire	200.00			196.27	3.73
Forest Fires	200.00	154.26		354.26	
Moth Suppression	140.00			29.85	110.15
Tree Warden	100.00			63.00	37.00
Sealer of W. and M.	70.00			66.50	3.50
Health	500.00		75.00	569.88	5.12
Nurse	1,400.00			1,181.21	218.79
Chap. 155, Acts of 1918	4,440.00		2,261.22*	6,709.73†	6.49
Highways	1,500.00			1,001.20‡	498.80
Bridges	1,000.00			532.36	467.64
Chapin Bridge	300.00			84.75	215.25
Oiling Streets	150.00			.00	150.00
Street Lights	1,547.50			1,537.71	9.79

OUTSTANDING BILLS

December 31, 1921

G. H. B. Green, balance due on Town Clerk's salary for 1921	\$ 79.57
R. E. Faulkner, school heating plant	550.00
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, school desks	1,074.10
Daniel P. Spencer, labor 119 hrs. 12 min. on funded cemetery lots	59.60
Fred F. Dewey, labor 119 hrs. 12 min. on funded cemetery lots	59.60

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. SHAW,

Town Accountant

Report of Appropriations' Committee

The committee on appropriations recommend as follows:

For Legislative expenses	\$ 50.00
Selectmen	425.00
Accountant	225.00
Treasurer	225.00 300
Clerk	100.00
Certification of notes	10.00
Collector	275.00 300
Assessors	500.00
Law	100.00
Election & Registration	200.00
Town Hall	175.00* 225
Police	100.00* 250
Fire department	200.00 200
Forest Fires	200.00* 200
Moth suppression	25.00 400
Tree warden	75.00
Health	500.00*
Chapter 155, Acts of 1918	4,440.00
Highways	1,000.00
Bridges	1,000.00
Street lights	1,570.45
Poor	3,000.00*
State Aid	1,000.00
Schools	28,000.00
Unclassified	350.00
Clock	50.00
Insurance	1,000.00
Interest	Receipts
Cemeteries	100.00
Reserve fund	1,000.00
Total	\$50,155.45

* Recommended that departmental receipts be voted in addition to appropriation.

E. R. PEESO

E. C. WITT

J. F. MORIARTY

Committee on Appropriations

Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1920	\$ 5,161.59
Rec'd from State Treasurer:-	
income tax 1918	24.00
" " 1919	72.00
" " 1920	360.00
" " 1921	696.00
" " " school	5,450.00
Mass. school fund	3,622.25
school superintendent	1,297.81
tuition of state wards	749.25
mothers' aid	258.33
highway commission	13,615.29
state aid	1,162.00
inspection of animals	75.00
corporation tax	272.51
" " public service	244.68
" " domestic	6.36
" " acts of '21	239.59
" " foreign	8.84
national bank tax	215.10
tax reimbursement	357.15

soldiers' exemption	150.58	
transportation of pauper	2.43	
		\$28,879.17
Rec'd from D. F. Shumway, tax collector		
taxes of 1919	\$ 134.91	
" " 1920	5,166.66	
poll taxes of 1921	2,620.00	
taxes of 1921	32,507.83	
		\$40,429.40
Rec'd from Amherst National Bank		
revenue loan	\$10,000.00	
interest on deposits	259.01	
		\$10,259.01
Rec'd interest on trust funds		
Susan M. Bridgman, poor fund	\$280.00	
" " " cemetery fund	10.12	
Calvin Bridgman, library fund	202.50	
" " school fund	303.75	
Longley music fund	105.39	
cemetery funds	304.20	
		\$ 1,205.96
Rec'd for perpetual care funds		
Clara L. Dwight, Harrison Dwight lot	\$50.00	
Libbie C. Gutberlett, Amos Clarke "	50.00	
Frank Clark, Frank Clark lot	50.00	
Elizabeth M. Bridgman, Robert L. Bridg-		
man lot	50.00	
Bertha E. Gage, Gage lot	50.00	
George M. Kelley, Simon Kelly lot	50.00	
Frank A. Towne, M. D. L. Towne and		
Jason Morse lots in So. Belchertown	200.00	
		\$500.00
Rec'd on town farm account		
E. Clifton Witt	\$ 563.46	
Charles Rhodes	1,729.65	

H. H. Ward, adm. Carrie Powell est.	130.00	
		\$2,423.11
Rec'd for licenses and fees		
E. R. Peeso, butchers' liense	\$2.00	
Henry Farley " "	2.00	
Clarence Hubbard " "	1.00	
Henry Baggs " "	1.00	
James Garvey " "	1.00	
R. E. Fairchild, auctioneer's license	2.00	
Campbell's circus	5.00	
Stanley Rostow	2.00	
Lura E. Sargent, nurse's fees	54.95	
John A. Crosier, fines court	462.94	
		\$537.89
Rec'd for lumber		
B. & M. R. R., ties	\$ 426.65	
Bridge dept., plank	165.43	
		\$592.08
Rec'd from County Treasurer, dog tax	\$ 363.70	
Ludlow road	2,000.00	
		\$2,363.70
Rec'd from sundry sources		
F. B. Purdy, rent of hall	\$5.00	
Lawrence Coyer, reimbursement	8.70	
Town of Greenfield "	90.50	
Roy E. Shaw, refund of burial	60.00	
D. D. Hazen, insurance	2,500.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Max Gollenbush, re-		
turn of fire checks	.80	
L. E. Knott App. Co., return of check	2.30	
		\$2,667.30
Rec'd for Ludlow road		
E. F. Shumway	\$ 50.00	
James Hebert	50.00	

Alfred Sampson	25.50
E. E. Brooks	25.00
J. W. Hurlburt	50.00
E. E. Gay	50.00
Joseph Noel	50.00
J. J. Archambault	25.00
Arthur Vezina	20.00
C. E. Booth	50.00
Malcom Eaton	15.00
Eugene Dick	25.00
James Isaac	50.00
R. N. Baggs	50.00
Donald Eaton	15.00
Irving Carey	50.00
C. R. Green	50.00
F. A. Towne	50.00
A. J. Sears	50.00
W. A. Sauer	25.00
Leon Williams	25.00
Carl White	25.00
G. I. Mead	50.00
W. E. Eaton	25.00
F. A. Upham	50.00
Frank Lincoln	50.00
Peter Adzima	50.00
J. R. Newman	50.00
M. J. McKillop	15.00
H. F. Putnam	25.00
Peter Smalla	25.00
Geo. Clifford	20.00
A. J. Humulson	25.00
	\$ 1,210.50
	\$ 96,229.71

PAYMENTS

Sixty-eight warrants containing 975 orders authorized by the selectmen and shown in detail in the town accountant's report	\$ 81,604.05
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1921	14,625.66
	\$ 96,229.71

W. F. NICHOLS, *Treasurer*

AMOUNT AND INVESTMENT OF TRUST FUNDS

Geo. D. Longley, music fund	
Liberty Bonds	\$ 2,000.00
Ware Savings Bank	219.94
	\$ 2,219.94
Calvin Bridgman, high school fund	
Amherst Savings Bank	6,000.00
Calvin Bridgman, library fund	
Amherst Savings Bank	4,000.00
Cemetery perpetual care fund	
Liberty Bonds	3,150.00
Amherst Savings Bank	3,544.38
	6,694.38
Susan M. Bridgman Cemetery fund	
Amherst Savings Bank	200.00
Susan M. Bridgman, poor fund	
Amherst National Bank Stock, 35 Shares	3,500.00
	\$ 22,614.32

W. F. NICHOLS *Treasurer*

Report of Burial Ground Commission

Your Commission appreciates the cooperation of many lot owners and friends who have helped it to intelligently apply the funds at its disposal for the benefit of the various burial grounds in the town, and thanks them for the assistance given.

The Commission has applied the income of the Perpetual Care Funds to the best of its ability, but finds it impossible to give a report on the income of each separate bequest, as the fund is invested as a whole, and at different rates of interest, some at 5%, some at $4\frac{3}{4}\%$ and some at $4\frac{1}{4}\%$.

REPORT ON APPROPRIATION

Appropriation		\$250.00
Tools	\$37.75	
Paint	2.00	
South Center Cemetery; mowing, painting gates, trueing stones, etc,	36.10	
Tylerville: mowing, general repairs	15.00	
Holyoke: mowing, general repairs	20.00	
Lake Vale: mowing, trueing stones	17.50	
West Hill: mowing, general clearing	12.00	
Union: mowing, cutting brush	13.50	
Mt. Hope: mowing entrance, avenues and lots; trueing stones, cleaning, filling graves etc.	92.40	
		246.25
Balance		\$ 3.75

Permanent Endowments Given By	Date	For Lot	Cemetery	Amt.
Arnold, Lydia	July 10, 1913	Arnold, Sanford	Lake Vale	50.
Ayers, Benjamin W.	Nov. 1, 1919	Ayres, William M.	Mt. Hope	75.
Anderson, H. B.	Jan. 1, 1908	Marsh, Daniel	"	50.
		Thompson, John V.	"	
Bridgman, Mrs. Elizabeth L.	Aug. 11, 1921	Bridgman, E. R.	"	50.
Bridgman, Mrs. H. S.	July 30, 1887	Bridgman, Frederick	"	100.
Bridgman, Elizabeth R.	Feb. 6, 1920	Bridgman, William E.	"	100.
Burnett, Edward W.	July 15, 1913	Burnett, Enoch	"	50.
Barton, Lydia A.	Mar. 28, 1917	Barton, Lydia A.	"	50.
Bardwell, Eunice	Oct. 1, 1919	Bardwell, Albert	"	50.
Bardwell, Mrs. John H.	July 1, 1919	Bardwell, John H.	"	50.
Bridgman, Susan M. D.		Shaw, Mason	"	
Cemetery Fund	May 5, 1898	Bridgman, Calvin	"	200.
		Dwight, Pliny	"	
		Dwight, Elijah	"	
Boyden, H. L. and Charles Dwight	Jan. 21, 1914	Dwight, Charles	"	50.
Carr, Mrs. N. A.	Mar. 5, 1909	Fisher, Salem	"	50.
Clapp, Mrs. Dwight P.	Mar. 12, 1909	Clapp, James		400.
		Clapp, Dwight		
		Gilmur, J. M.		
Chandler, Est. Mrs. Irene	June 10, 1921	Chandler, William	"	100.
		Goodale, Moses	"	

Permanent Endowments Given By	Date	For Lot	Cemetery	Amt.
Chapman, Est. Susan	Dec. 10, 1920	Chapman, T. W.	Mt Hope	50.
Clark, Frank	June 10, 1921	Clark, Frank	"	50.
Chapman, Lucy D.	July 15, 1908	Wiley, Otis	"	50.
Damon, Ira E.	May 17, 1917	Damon, Ira E.	"	50.
Dwight, Clara	Apr. 8, 1921	Dwight, Harrison	"	50.
Eaton, Harriet E.	Apr. 13, 1910	Eaton, Calvin D.	"	100.
Eaton, Est. Harriet E.	Feb. 1, 1911	Eaton, Calvin D.	"	92.76
Fuller, Dwight V.	Nov. 5, 1909	Fuller, Dwight V.	"	100.
Gage, Bertha M.	Aug. 26, 1921	Gage, Wilby T.	"	50.
Gutberlett, Mrs. Libby	June 10, 1921	Clark, Amos	"	50.
Gray, Mrs. Letitia M.	Mar. 5, 1909	Gray, John H.	"	50.
Graves, Est. Mrs. Nancy	June 30, 1906	Graves, Henry	"	100.
Goddard, S. D.	Mar. 28, 1895	Goddard, S. W. E.	"	100.
Goold, William P.		Smith, William P.	"	50.
Green, George H. B.	June 21, 1918	Walker, John W.	"	50.
Heath, Mrs. A. J.	June 5, 1906	We apply this to best of our ability to Dorman	"	
		Ambrose	"	100.
Hunt, Emeline	June 16, 1908	Hunt, John S.		50.
Hitchcock, Est. E. B.	Mar. 11, 1913	Hitchcock, E. B.	So. Center	100.
Hawk, Emeline P.	July 11, 1913	Fay, Rev. William N.	Mt. Hope	50.
Hyde, Mary M.	July 20, 1915	Hyde, Oliver	"	50.

Permanent Endowments Given By	Date	For Lot	Cemetery	Amt.
Kelsey, Henry	Sept. 20, 1918	Kelsey, Henry	"	75.
Kelley, George M.	Aug. 27, 1921	Kelley, Simon	"	100.
Lane, Newell J.	June 21, 1918	Lane, Edgar S.	So. Center	50.
Leach, Mary E.	May 15, 1916	Leach, Jefferson	Mt. Hope	50.
Longley, Harriet	Jan. 2, 1909	Dwight, Nathaniel	"	500.
		Bartlett, Joab	"	
		Duncan, Clara D.	"	
		Root, Elihu, Jr.	"	
Lawrence, Myron	Mar. 30, 1908	Lawrence, Mark	"	100.
Longley, Eliza	July 2, 1898	Longley, Col. Joshua	"	100.
Longley, Susan	Mar. 19, 1887	Longley, Samuel W.	"	200.
		Owen, Artemus	"	
Lyman, Payson W.	Jan. 15, 1913	Root, Harrison	"	75.
		Root, Elihu	"	
Moody, Maria H.	Mar. 21, 1901	Amidon, Elijah	"	100.
Marsh, Daniel	Jan. 1, 1908	Marsh and Thomson	"	50.
Moulton, Emma M.	Apr. 16, 1914	Pratt, Charles	So. Center	100.
Owen, William B.	Feb. 26, 1915	Owen, William	Mt. Hope	50.
Piper, Winslow S.	Jan. 29, 1910	Dickinson, Francis M.	"	50.
Rice, Lyman	Apr. 23, 1908	Rice, Lyman	"	100.
		Bennet, A.	"	
Randall, Est. Alonzo D.	June 21, 1918	Randall, Alonzo D.	"	100.

Permanent Endowments Given By	Date	For Lot	Cemetery	Amt.
Stebbins, Willard A.	Apr. 28, 1913	Sanford, Ichabod	"	150.
		Cowles, Josiah	"	
		Stebbins, Lydia and Ely	"	
Sanford, George E.	Aug. 24, 1907	Williams, Mrs. C. D.	"	50.
Sibley, Emma Willis	June 1, 1915	Willis Edmund	"	50.
Searle, Est. L. Whitney	Aug. 1, 1920	Searle, L. Whitney	"	200.
Shannon, Oliver C.	Nov. 1, 1918	Shannon, Oliver C.	"	100.
Shumway, Mary A.	June 28, 1916	Shumway, Charles	So. Center	100.
Slauter, Platt T.	Apr. 24, 1914	Slauter, Platt T.	Mt. Hope	50.
Sabin, Laura	Aug. 3, 1913	Given to best of our ability.		
		See Town Report, page	"	50.
		20, 1921	"	50.
Shattuck, Mrs. Sarah L.	June 19, 1912	Bugbee, E. G.	Lake Vale	100.
Stebbins, Willard A.	May 18, 1909	Stebbins	Mt. Hope	50.
Shaw, Stephen S.	Dec. 30, 1907	Shaw, Luther	"	100.
Shepherd, T. M.	Nov. 9, 1911	Burnett, Mrs. Loman A.	"	100.
Sabin, Lyman	July 3, 1891	Sabin, Lyman		50.
Sikes, Mrs. Ruben	Aug. 22, 1907	Walker, Orrin		50.
Sikes, Juliette W.	Sept. 1, 1920	Walker, Orrin	"	50.
Towne B. L.,	Oct. 1, 1919	Towne, Henry M.	"	200.
Towne, Est. Sarah E.	June 10, 1909	Towne, Israel	"	200.
Thurston, Kirk J.	May 25, 1908	Thurston, John F.	"	

Permanent Endowments Given By	Date	For Lot	Cemetery	Amt.
Taylor, Est. Harriet M.	May 6, 1907	Ames, Abel	Mt. Hope	63.81
Towne, Frank	Sept. 2, 1921	Towne, M. D. L.	Tylerville	200.
		Morse, Jason	"	
Walker, Abbie S.	Nov. 30, 1918	Walker, Alva	Mt. Hope	50.
Walker, Wellington	Dec. 31, 1919	Walker, Jason	"	100.
Ward, Harry H. for Est. Armenia				
Munsell	Mar. 1, 1920	Munsell, Redington	So. Center	100.
Weeks, Sarah T.	Aug. 1907	Shumway, Jason	Mt. Hope	100.
Willis, Omri	May 7, 1913	Willis lot ?	"	50.

REPORT ON PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

Interest \$ 304.20

Expended for care of lots designated under the several funds
as follows:

Arnold Lydia	\$ 2.50
Ayres Benjamin W.	3.75
Anderson H. B.	2.50
Bridgman Mrs. H. S.	5.00
Bridgman Elizabeth R.	5.00
Bridgman Susan M. D.	10.00
Burnett Edward W.	2.50
Barton Lydia A.	2.50
Bardwell Eunice	2.50
Bardwell Mrs. John H.	2.50
Boyden Mrs. H. L. & Chas. Dwight	2.50
Carr Mrs. N. A.	2.50
Clapp Mrs. Dwight P.	20.00
Chapman Susan E., (Est.)	2.50
Chandler Irene	5.00
Chapman Lucy D.	2.50
Damon Ira E.	2.50
Eaton Harriet	8.00
Fuller Dwight	5.00
Gray Letitia M.	2.50
Graves Mrs. Nancy, Est.	5.00
Goddard S. D.	5.00
Goold William P.	2.50
Green Geo. H. B.	2.50
Heath Mrs. A. J.	5.00
Hunt Emeline	2.50
Hitchcock E. B., Est.	4.50
Hawk Emeline P.	2.50
Hyde Mary M.	2.50
Kelsey Henry	3.45
Lane Newell J.	2.50

Leach Mary E.	2.50
Longley Harriet	24.00
Longley Eliza	4.50
Longley Susan	10.00
Lawrence Myron	5.00
Lyman Payson W.	3.75
Moody Maria H.	5.00
Marsh Daniel	2.50
Moulton Emma	4.50
Munsell Armenia, Est.	4.00
Owen William	2.50
Piper Winslow	2.50
Rice Lyman	5.00
Randall A. D. Est.	5.00
Stebbins Willard A. (Mt. Hope)	7.50
Sibley Emma Willis	2.50
Searle L. Whitney, Est.	10.00
Shannon Oliver	4.50
Shumway Mary A.	4.50
Slauter Platt T.	2.50
Sabin Laura	2.50
Shattuck Mrs. Sarah L.	2.50
Stebbins Willard A. (Lake Vale)	3.25
Shaw Stephen S.	2.50
Shepard T. M.	4.50
Sikes Mrs. Ruben & Juliet W.	4.50
Sabin Lyman	5.00
Towne B. L.	2.50
Towne Sarah E. Est.	8.00
Thurston John F.	8.00
Taylor Harriet M., Est.	2.50
Weeks Sarah T.	4.50
Williams Mrs. Cornelia	2.50
Walker Abbie S.	2.50
Walker Wellington	4.50

Willis Omri

2.50

\$ 304.20FRED F. DEWEY
DANIEL P. SPENCER*Burial Ground Commission*

175 Tracts 2 1900

Town Farm Inventory

Jan. 1, 1922

44 hens	\$ 88.00	2 manure forks	3.00
2 spray pumps	1.50	2-horse wagon	110.00
1 " "	7.50	2- " sled	30.00
2 scythes & snaths	4.50	1- " "	10.00
Wagon jack	1.50	1 evener	1.50
Evener & whiffletree	3.00	7 stake chains	2.45
Cultivator	4.00	1 cable chain	3.00
Mowing machine	50.00	2 shovels	3.00
Horse rake	18.00	2 hoes	1.00
Tedder	62.50	1 potato hook	1.50
Spring-tooth harrow	5.00	Garden rake	.50
Smoothing "	5.00	Pick	.50
300 lbs. fertilizer	8.25	Wire stretcher	1.75
1 bu. millet seed	3.00	Scoop shovel	1.50
1 pr. street blankets	10.00	Set machine knives	1.75
Paris green gun	1.50	200 bags	2.10
2 whips	1.50	Reel barbed wire	3.50
Buggy	50.00	Plane	3.25
Large wrench	1.50	Hay knife	1.50
4 lbs. nails	.30	5 lbs. arsenate lead	2.25
Dump cart	75.00	5-gal. oil can	1.00
1 feed cutter	5.00	Salt	.40
1 harrow	2.00	3 bbls.	.60
1 plow	20.00	Grain	9.00

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2 crow bars	+3.00	2 grind stones	X 8.00
Cant hook	1.00	Corn sheller	X 3.00
Steelyards	-1.50	2 Corn planter	35.00
1 street blanket	X 3.00	Feed trough	X 1.00
60 feet small rope	X 3.50	Winnowing mill	X 5.00
4 5 pitch forks	3.75	110 feet rope	X 9.50
Hand rake	X 4.00	Feed cutter	X 1.00
Express wagon	X 40.00	Express pole	X 1.00
Bu. basket	+ 1.00	Plow	20.00
Baskets	X 1.00	1 bridle	4.00
Hay fork	X 25.00	No 1 cow	125.00
Small tools	X 5.00	" 2 "	100.00
9 chicken coops	X 5.00	" 3 "	60.00
50 tons ensilage	400.00	" 4 "	75.00
Meadow hay	20.00	" 5 "	100.00
13 tons Timothy	490.00	" 6 "	80.00
8 " stock hay	160.00	" 8 "	75.00
1/2 ton millet	6.00	" 9 "	60.00
2 ladders	X 4.00	" 10 "	90.00
Single sleigh	X 5.00	Calf	20.00
Traverse "	X 10.00	Bull	35.00
Pair team harness	X 45.00	2 calves	20.00
Single farm "	X 15.00	1 8-year	50.00
Driving "	X 10.00	1 2-year	30.00
Pair crotch straps	7.25	3 corn hooks	X 1.50
Bells	2.50	12 cords wood	84.00
Pair stable blankets	5.00	3 wood saws	X 3.00
Pair horses	350.00	2 cross cut saws	X 2.00
Barn broom	1.00	Axe	X 1.50
Barn hoe	.25	Range	15.00
3 lanterns	4.50	Washing machine	5.00
Creamery tank	X 5.00	Wash boiler	4.00
2 milk pails	X 2.00	50 feet hose	X 5.00
2 pr. ice tongs	X 2.00	Step ladder	X 1.50
Milk mixer	X 5.00	5 bbls. apples	25.00

45 bu. potatoes

~~67.50~~

Vegetables

15.00

100 lbs. pork

20.00

50 jars can fruit

17.50

13 " jelly

4.50

4 cider bbls.

8.00

~~Wash board~~~~2.50~~

2 tubs

x 2.00

Clothes basket

x 1.50

Wash bench

x 1.00

12 window screens

x 6.00

6 lamps

x 2.10

~~Fresh pork~~~~8.00~~

Nickel lamp

x 2.00

Pantry utensils

25.00

Bed linen

x 10.00

Lounge

x 1.00

Towels

x 3.00

Curtains

~~5.00~~

4 quilts

x 3.00

2 feather beds

x 4.00

Straw bed

~~5.00~~

9 pillows

x 4.50

12 mattresses

4.00

Blankets

~~1.00~~

Bedroom set

x 5.00

6 stoves

x 15.00

Range

x 35.00

Art square

10.80

Linoleum

7.50

Invalid chair

x 10.00

~~S wing machine~~~~2.00~~

Stand

~~x 5.00~~

11 bureaus

x 22.00

Center table

x 2.00

Dining room table

x 6.00

2 kitchen tables

x 4.00

8 chairs

x 5.00

Carpet sweeper

x 2.00

Parlor stove

31.05

1 oil heater

x 5.00

Set dishes

25.00

Other "

x 5.00

Set sad irons

x 1.50

Provisions

25.00

5 gal oil can

1.50

6 iron beds

15.00

Lap robe

x 5.00

Manure spreader

x 10.00

Barn pail

x 2.00

60 empty fruit jars

4.00

1 1/2 bu. rye

5.00

Barley

2.00

~~Ensilage corn~~~~2.00~~

years Harnan 10.00

11 Slough 35.00

Annual Report

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION, FEBRUARY, 1921

School Committee

E, CLIFTON WITT, Ch.	Term expires 1923
EVERETT A. GEER, Sec.	" " 1924
MRS. LEILA CURTIS	" " 1922

Superintendent

ALVAN R. LEWIS	Term expires 1924
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Attendance Officer

D. F. SHUMWAY

School Physician

JAMES L. COLLARD, M. D.

School Nurse

LURA SARGENT

Report of the School Committee

To the Voters of Belchertown:

The committee feel they have experienced as trying a year as any previous committee.

Last spring the lower grades of the Center School being crowded and one teacher for the three grades with an assistant for the primary room, the committee felt it best to secure another room so that there would be only two grades for each teacher. A room in the basement of Community Hall was secured for the first and second grades at a cost of three hundred dollars for a term of two years.

The first of last September we found the three rooms of the High School not adequate to accommodate the eighty students, so another room was rented of the Community League, thereby enabling us to move the third and fourth grades over there, giving the High school one more room, which necessitated another teacher.

The school had just settled down from this readjustment when the fire came which wiped out six classrooms with their furniture and nearly half of the books and other equipment. Thanks to the cooperation of teachers and pupils only two days of school were lost.

The Methodist Vestry was offered to us for the High school, the only cost to the town being the fitting up and the leaving of the property in as good condition as we found it.

The committee at this time would extend a vote of thanks to the Methodist Society for their generous offer, also to the

Congregational Society and the American Legion for the offer of their rooms as temporary quarters for the grades.

Desks were bought for the main room at a cost of nearly seven hundred dollars, tablet arm chairs for two recitation rooms at a cost of two hundred ninety dollars, and a heating system at a cost of five hundred-fifty dollars.

The desks and chairs with proper care should go into another school as good as new. The heater will find a ready market.

The fifth and sixth grades found room in Firemen's Hall, although not a warm location, comfortable with two stoves.

The seventh and eighth grades were transported to Federal St. until a place could be fitted up for them in a vacant store of Peeso's. Thirty-six desks were bought for this room at a cost of four hundred dollars.

Granby no longer having a High school but having a very good chemistry and physics laboratory outfit, offered it to the town at much less than half the cost of new. The committee have purchased it for one hundred fifty dollars.

Hoping there will be no more breaks in the school work, we wish to thank the teachers for their patience and cooperation under the present conditions.

A word of commendation might well be spoken of the Kenny Bros. and Wolkins Desk Factory, also the book concerns for their prompt shipments which enabled greatly the carrying on of school work.

E. CLIFTON WITT
EVERETT GEER
LEILA S. CURTIS

Teachers, January 1, 1922

High School	Thomas Allen
" "	Alice Coon
" "	Joseph Perry
" "	Raymond Brewer
Center Grammar	Elsie Shattuck
" Intermediate	Edith Towne
" Second Primary	Ella Stebbins
" First Primary	Ruby Knight
Franklin Grammar	Nellie Shea
" Intermediate	Helen Keyes
" Primary	Irene Orlando
Liberty	Grace Stuart
Washington	Lucy Bowler
Rockrimmon	Emma Stadler
Cold Spring	Bridget Fitzgerald
Blue Meadow	Violet Page
Union	Mabel Randolph
Music	Florence Clough
" Rural Schools	Mary C. Sullivan
School Nurse	Lura Sargent

School Calendar

Schools will begin Sept. 5, 1922, and will close Dec. 22, 1922. They will reopen Jan. 2, 1923, and will continue until June 29, 1923 with one week's intermission at the expiration of every eight weeks.

NUMBER OF PUPILS IN EACH GRADE DEC. 31, 1921

SCHOOLS	GRADES												Tot.
	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	
High									33	27	11	10	81
Center	25	21	11	32	16	20	16	19					160
Franklin	17	20	9	20	13	14	12	4					109
Liberty	3	1	0	4	0	4	2	0					14
Washington	3	2	3	3	1	4	5	2					23
Rockrimmon	1	0	2	2	2	3	0	0					10
Cold Spring	2	5	3	5	2	0	1	3					21
Blue Meadow	0	0	1	1	4	0	6	0					12
Union	4	6	6	3	3	2	0	1					25
Totals	55	55	35	70	41	47	42	29	33	27	11	10	455

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

Whole Number	512
Number enrolled	464
" between 5 yrs. and 7 yrs.	44
" " 7 " " 14 yrs.	324
" " 14 " " 16 yrs.	59
" above 16 yrs.	37
Average membership	420
" attendance	386
Per cent. of attendance	92
Number of cases of tardiness	671
" pupils attending schools out of town	4
" " " " from out of town	0

SCHOOL STATISTICS

For year ending June 30, 1921

SCHOOLS	Whole Number	No. enrolled	No. between 5 and 7	No. between 7 and 14	No. between 14 and 16	No. over 16	Av. Membership	Av. Attendance	No. Tardinesses
High.	73	73	0	7	30	36	63	59	182
Center Grammar.	43	34	0	20	13	1	34	31	116
Center Intermediate.	57	43	0	37	6	0	39	35	109
Center First Primary.	60	54	11	43	0	0	49	43	65
*Center Second Primary									18
Cold Spring.	23	21	6	15	0	0	18	17	6
Franklin Grammar.	34	33	0	33	0	0	29	28	2
Franklin Intermediate.	46	43	0	41	2	0	41	40	4
Franklin Primary	28	28	9	19	0	0	27	26	3
Liberty.	22	21	1	17	3	0	20	18	42
Washington.	28	26	1	23	2	0	22	19	56
Rock Rimmon.	23	23	4	18	1	0	16	14	10
Holyoke.									
Federal.	28	24	8	14	2	0	22	20	24
Lake Vale.									1
Union.	33	29	4	25	0	0	28	25	17
West Hill.									
East Hill.									
Laurel.									
Blue Meadow.	14	12	0	12	0	0	12	11	19
	512	464	44	324	59	37	420	386	673

*Pupils in this school have been enrolled in the other schools

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Belchertown:

It is my privilege to submit for your consideration my fourteenth annual report which is the eighteenth in this series.

The schools have not been seriously interrupted by sickness. The per cent. of attendance for the year ending June 30, 1921, was 92, a gain of two per cent. The number of cases of tardiness during this time was six hundred seventy-one. There were three hundred-eighty fewer than the preceding year.

All children between seven and sixteen years of age must be in school while they are in session unless they have employment or educational certificates; and no child between fourteen and sixteen years of age can be given an employment certificate unless the work of the sixth grade has been completed. Any child between fourteen and sixteen years of age who has been given an educational certificate but is out of work must attend school.

There have been very few changes in our teaching force during the year. Miss Violet Page was transferred from Washington to Blue Meadow; and Miss Bowler who has been teaching in Blue Meadow was transferred to Washington. The Federal school was closed and the pupils have been transported to the center. Owing to the large attendance in the high school and the additional studies required by law it was found impossible for three teachers to accomplish the work. In Sept. Raymond Brewer, a graduate of the University of Vermont was elected a teacher in our high school. To finish another recitation room in the high school the primary schools were placed in the Com-

munity building.

Early in the evening of November 8th, our high school building was totally destroyed by fire, which interrupted the work of all the grades in the center, above the fourth grade, for two or three days. We were fortunate in being able to secure rooms in the center for all the schools that were in the building burned. Although conditions are not perfect, the schools are doing good work and will be able to cover the required course.

The pupils in Franklin and Blue Meadow have continued their industrial work under the supervision of Miss Bena Erhart and Mr. Howe from the Mass. Agricultural college. There are sixteen in the boys' class. They made coat hangers, tie racks, book racks, and a hall tree. Frank Rys took third prize in Hampshire county. There were twenty-five members in the girls' class. They were taught darning and garment making. Cassie Sullivan won first place in Hampshire county and spent a week at the M. A. C. camp as a reward. The sewing machine and manual training table have been a great help in their work and have been greatly appreciated. At Blue Meadow the boys have done handicraft work and the girls garment making and canning. Their float which represented their work took first prize, a loving cup, at Northampton, and they received \$70.50 in cash prizes at the several fairs.

This work does not detract from their regular school studies, in fact, those who take up this work are among our best scholars. I hope the time is not far distant when all our pupils will have the benefit of manual training. It is an essential part of an education.

There are seventy-three pupils in our high school. Ten in the graduating class and twenty-nine in the class which will enter in September.

In closing I call your attention to the reports of the high school principal, the teacher of music, and the school nurse.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVAN R. LEWIS

Report of High School Principal

Supt. A. R. Lewis,

My dear Sir,-

Pursuant with your request follows my report. Last year ended with a well-maintained yearly attendance and with the usual percentage of graduates planning to continue their education in higher institutions of learning. One is teaching, two entered Fitchburg Normal and two others are expecting to enter college this fall.

Of the class of 1920, three have commercial training, one is in Normal Art, one intends to train for nurse and six are in college. 100 per cent progress! This is unusual even in large high schools. Perhaps the nearer we get back to the old farmer's idea of a college, "Mark Hopkins on one end of a log and my boy on the other," the nearer true this may become.

Opening in September, an increase of 60 percent in the pupils of the high school so crowded our rooms that quarters were provided down stairs for the freshmen. Owing to the small classes of previous years, it was deemed advisable to combine certain classes, giving allied subjects in alternate years. This worked well till this fall when classes of fifty or more made it imperative to separate the classes or to run the work in two divisions. Considering age and general fitness of the pupils, it was decided that best results could be secured by separating the classes.

With Mr. Brewer teaching science, the subjects for which there was a demand were offered and the scope of the curricu-

lum considerably enlarged and improved. Thus we were well settled and looking forward to the best year of work since my connection with the school, Miss Perry and Miss Coon, teachers of experience having been retained, when, on the evening of Nov. 8, our plans were completely upset.

With undaunted zeal and spirit the committee at once procured new quarters in the vestry of the Methodist church, the school meanwhile holding sessions in the town hall and having lost only two days. While we have all worked under trying and unfavorable conditions, censure and fault-finding have been wholly absent and only the spirit of helping "carry on" has been manifested. Under adverse circumstances the school has made good progress and the prospects are good for completing a full year's work in all subjects, not omitting laboratory work in Physics and Chemistry, for it is the plan of the committee to put in equipment that will render possible such experiments as will of necessity be required to keep our college certificate privilege, application for an extension of which for three years has been made.

The course in music has been sadly neglected. However, about \$150 which can be applied towards purchasing a piano has been raised. First the Senior class raised some fifty dollars by a supper, then the Community Club saw another opportunity to do good and generously donated fifty dollars, while a drive for subscriptions for a publication of The Curtis Publishing Company netted nearly fifty dollars. It is hoped that the work will soon be resumed.

Tardinesses still pile up. It almost seems a hardship to follow the course taken in other schools where one session is enjoyed, i. e., have the delinquent spend a beneficial hour to make up work lost by absence and to be impressed with the necessity of being prompt. Travelling, distance and other causes for which the pupil is not to blame, contribute largely to this condition. Our aim is the pupil's greatest good and we hope that parents will willingly contribute their support to

eliminate this evil "The shots that hit are the shots that count" said our navy-building president.

In closing, let me express my pleasure with the work of the district nurse. All pupils of the high school have had an health examination and in several cases notices have been sent to parents whose coöperation ought to result in better health and greater ability of their child. It is work that has far-reaching influences for good. The dental work, so suddenly interrupted, was instituted by the nurse. It is hoped to continue this in the spring and thus enable all to take advantage of what is of vital importance and too often neglected in our children's lives.

Greatly appreciating the efforts of the school committee to place at our disposal the equipment and accomodations that we need, I respectfully submit the above.

THOMAS ALLEN, *Prtnicipal*

Report of the Supervisor of Music

"The heights of music are reached only in the expression of feeling; its supreme significance is spiritual and its most glorious medium is the human voice."

The progress in music in the upper grades and in the High school this fall has been greatly retarded due to the fire, loss of supplies and piano, and the moving into different rooms and buildings.

The High school students are trying to get a new piano, the Senior class gave a supper and donated the proceeds which amounted to fifty dollars toward the fund. The Community Club sent a check of fifty dollars which was very acceptable and greatly appreciated. In December, the boys and the girls had a contest taking subscriptions for "The Ladies' Home Journal," each subscription netted fifty cents more toward the fund.

They realized over forty dollars from the magazine contest. A new piano will be a great help at graduation; last June an old piano had to be used. Any old instrument with incorrect pitch detracts in some measure, the success of a public performance.

The Hollis Dann Music Course, which is used in most of the grades, teaches song interpretation and musical appreciation by means of its many beautiful and artistic songs and also provides thorough instruction in the technical side of singing. The work in the eye and ear training is so clearly presented that the grade teacher without any experience can carry on this work

successfully. The pitch and character of the songs is favorable and absolutely essential to the production of good tones.

In addition to the above mentioned textbook, the individual slips are studied and supplementary songs are used to fit the appropriate occasions. During the winter term more attention is given to the technical and theoretical part of music.

Tonal quality is especially desired in all singing. Some children have a tendency in everything they sing to burst out with the same quantity of tone, regardless of the expression marks or the text. Echo songs have been tried of late in order to distinguish the contrast in tone. These harsh, coarse tones are caused by forcing or straining the voice. This tone quality is especially noticeable in those who desire to be leaders or those who wished to be heard when company is present. Children found to be constantly singing out of tune or singing on one note should be asked to listen. Many times in singing games or dramatized songs, these children do the motions while the others sing. These children are classed as monotones or they are tone deaf.

Christmas exercises were observed this year in the schools with better programs than usual, in spite of the obstacles of this past term.

The two primary rooms gave their interesting and successful program in the morning at the Community hall.

The Center intermediate and grammar grades gave a public evening entertainment, charging admission which netted over twenty-one dollars. This money will be used for school supplies and furnishings. The Christmas spirit was portrayed by recitations, carols and short plays.

The Franklin school gave a Christmas operetta which was well attended and greatly enjoyed. One of the older boys was excellent as Santa Claus, and the costumes and scenery were worthy of commendation.

The teachers deserve a great deal of credit for their support and work in music during the past year which I greatly appreciate. I thank the superintendent and the school com-

mittee for their hearty cooperation. I am grateful to the parents and others for their interest and attendance at the public entertainments.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE M. CLOUGH

Report of School Nurse

Work already established in the schools has been continued. Each pupil has received individual inspection. All defects have been reported to parents and many home visits made urging corrective measures. The school physician has been to each school, making necessary examinations and notifying parents. Every child has been vaccinated or holds an exemption certificate.

This fall thru the Hampshire Co. Chapter Red Cross a dental clinic was held here for school children. Nearly every child received dental care. The charges were nominal and in families unable to pay, the Red Cross financed the work. It is hoped that this work may be continued each year. Its need is clearly shown by the health records.

Scales have been purchased and given the town by the Home Nursing Classes, by money won with their float and at an entertainment which they gave. Thus the under-nourished child can be detected and corrective measures taken.

A tubercular clinic has been held under the auspices of the Hampshire Co. Public Health Ass. Three pupils were discovered having active pulmonary tuberculosis. They have been taken from school and proper care instigated and all three show marked improvement.

Several pupils have received treatment for tonsils at the Holyoke City Hospital at their free tonsil clinic held every Friday.

The Hampshire Co. Chapter of Red Cross has very generously continued furnishing the use of a car during the past

year.

The health records secured last year for permanent record of the pupils have been continued.

I wish to thank the selectmen, school committee, superintendent, school physician, teachers, and parents, as well as the citizens generally for their interest and hearty co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

LURA E. SARGENT, *School Nurse*

Report of Attendance Officer

To the School Committee:

I have received twenty summonses from teachers and Superintendent to absentees from school. I have visited the schools and I found a good attendance unless the scholars were out for some good reason.

D. F. SHUMWAY, *Attendance Officer*

RECEIPTS

Appropriation, Feb. 7, '21	\$ 25,000.00
" Sept. 24, '21	500.00
" Dec. 3, '21	2,500.00
From Longley fund for music	6.96
For school nurse	400.00
	\$28,406.96

EXPENDITURES

Superintendent's salary	\$ 1,800.00
" expenses	169.25
Committee's salaries	130.00
" expenses	104.94
School physician	35.00
Attendance officer	30.00
Census	25.00
Freight and express	48.80
Ordinary repairs	366.59
Temporary school rooms	545.89
Community house	500.00
Janitors	1,192.00
Cleaning	53.45
Books and supplies	1,221.10
Fuel	1,339.09
Transportation	4,726.43
Teachers' salaries	15,144.69
Janitors' supplies	9.49
Tuition	40.50
School nurse	400.00
Incidentals	524.74
	\$28,406.96

GRADUATING EXERCISES

OF THE

Belchertown High School

JUNE 29

1921

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

8 P. M.

CLASS MOTTO

En Avant

CLASS FLOWER

White Rose

CLASS COLORS

Blue and White

PROGRAM

Invocation

Nightingale and Rose

Salutatory Essay The Value of Play

IRENE E. HANIFIN

Declamation An Example of Heroism

GARFIELD B. HUBBARD

Whispering Hope Duet

Class Prophecy

MILDRED M. SULLIVAN

Mountain Maiden

Oration Not Our Stars But Ourselves

THEODORE D. HAZEN

A College Song

BOYS' CHORUS

Class Will

AGNES HANIFIN

Declamation Valedictory Constantinus and the Lion

ORIN L. BRACEY

Hail to the Dawn

Presentation of Diplomas

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Benediction

Lehnert

GRADUATES

ORIN LEROY BRACEY

AGNES HANIFIN

IRENE ELIZABETH HANIFIN

THEODORE DWIGHT HAZEN

GARFIELD BENJAMIN HUBBARD

MILDRED MARGARET SULLIVAN

Rossini

Newton

CLASS OFFICERS

THEODORE D. HAZEN, *President*

IRENE E. HANIFIN, *Vice President*

ORIN L. BRACEY, *Treasurer*

MILDRED M. SULLIVAN, *Secretary*

Ashford

Kremsner

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

Sealing 5 platform scales over 5,000 pounds	\$5.00
“ 13 “ “ under “ “	12.50
“ 3 computing scales	.09
“ 21 other scales	.63
“ 97 weights	2.91
“ 22 liquid measures	.66
“ 9 oil pumps	1.38
“ 2 molasses pumps	.30
“ 2 linear measures	.06
	\$23.53
Fees paid the treasurer	\$23.39
“ due the town	.14

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. AUSTIN,

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown,
in said County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Belchertown qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the town hall in said Belchertown, on Monday, the sixth day of February in the year A. D. 1922, at 9.30 o'clock in the morning, then and there to act on the following articles,

ART. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of the town officers and act thereon.

ART. 3. To choose by the so-called Australian ballot system the following named officers: a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, five Constables, a Tax Collector, and a Tree Warden, each for one year; one School Committee for three years; one Assessor for three years; one Burial Ground Commissioner for three years; one Burial Ground Commissioner for two years to fill vacancy; also to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of certain non-intoxicating beverages in the town as provided in Section 11, Chapter 138 of the General Laws. All on one ballot.

ART. 4. To choose the following named officers by nomination: two Almoners of the Whiting Street and Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year; one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years and one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for one year to fill vacancy.

ART. 5. To hear the reports of any committees that have been appointed by the town and act thereon.

ART. 6. To see if the town will consider and act upon the question of authorizing the construction, including the

equipment and furnishings thereof, of a new building or buildings to be used wholly or in part for school purposes and other purposes, if any.

ART. 7. To see if the town will consider and act upon the question of determining the location of a new building or buildings to be used wholly or in part for school purposes, and other purposes if any, provided the town votes to construct such new building or buildings as contemplated in the preceding article; or take any action relative thereto.

ART. 8. To consider and act upon the question of appointing a committee to have in charge the construction and equipping and furnishing of the new building or buildings to be used wholly or in part for school purposes and other purposes if any; the construction of which and the equipment and furnishing of which is contemplated under the two articles next preceding.

ART. 9. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, by and with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not exceeding sixty thousand dollars to be used in the construction of a new building or buildings including the equipment and furnishings of such building or buildings, payable in twenty years from date of borrowing in proportionate annual payments, at a rate of interest not exceeding five per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, and to issue notes or bonds of the town therefor.

ART. 10. To consider and act upon the question of petitioning the Legislature of this Commonwealth for leave to incur indebtedness in excess of the statutory limit to an amount not exceeding sixty thousand dollars, such indebtedness to be incurred for the purpose of providing money to be expended in the construction, equipment and furnishing a new building or buildings to be used wholly or in part for school purposes and other purposes in this town.

ART. 11. To see if the town will vote to give to Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid.

ART. 12. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of one thousand dollars from the overlayings Reserve to the Reserve Fund

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses of the current financial year.

ART. 14. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1st, 1922, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate \$30,000. and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the said municipal year.

ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to choose a committee of three to be known as the committee on appropriations who shall carefully investigate and report at the next annual meeting the amounts needed in the several departments to be expended in the ensuing year, also to have charge of the administration of the reserve fund, and act thereon.

ART. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,440 to be used in conjunction with an allotment from the State Department of Public works in the repairs of highways under the provisions of Chapter 155 of the Acts of 1918.

ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars for the permanent repairs on the Bondsville-Belchertown road, so-called, beginning at or near the point where the work was completed in 1921 and continuing toward the center of the town.

ART. 18. To see if the town will build a sewer beginning at a point opposite the property of Patrick Kennedy, north to property of B. & A. R. R., thence to Swift River, and to raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 19. To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$2000 to be expended on the highway leading from the Ludlow

State road near the farm formerly owned by Orrin Walker, past James Isaac's to a point near J. J. Archambault's where work was discontinued last year. Said \$2,000 to be used in conjunction with such sums of money as may be appropriated by the state or county and the \$1200 subscribed by individuals.

ART. 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be used, together with any money which may be obtained from any other sources, for permanent construction on the Three Rivers road.

ART. 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to purchase a tractor for use on the highways.

ART. 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended in oiling the streets.

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to install two more electric lights on the Ware road, one on the curve near the house of George Oliver and one near the house of Daniel P. Spencer, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 24. To see if the town will vote to install a street light on a curve on the Springfield road at a point opposite William Orlando's stone building, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 25. To see if the town will vote to install a street light on North Main street at a point opposite the residence of George Davis, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 26. To see if the town will vote to install two more street lights on Federal Street, one near the residence of John Merrill and one near the residence of Leon B. Ayers, and to raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 27. To see if the town will instruct its superintendent of streets to uncover the sidewalks to their full width where they are partially or wholly covered, or act on the same.

ART. 28. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$100 for the support of the Hampshire Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture and elect a director of that organization who will be the official town representative for said Trustees as

per Chapter 273 of the Acts of 1918.

ART. 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,624.10 to pay for the new desks and heating plant purchased by the school committee.

ART. 30. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150 to be expended under the direction of Chauncey Walker Post, A. L., in the observance of Memorial Day.

ART. 31. To see if the town will accept Sections 23 to 26 inclusive of Chapter 114 of the General Laws. These sections relate to the election by ballot of a board of cemetery commissioners.

ART. 32. To see if the town will rescind the vote passed at a town meeting held on the 29th day of September 1873, wherein certain rights and privileges in that tract of land in the center of the town known as the Common were granted to the Belchertown Park Association.

ART. 33. To see if the town will grant permission to Harold F. Peck to set apart a portion of his land east of and adjoining Mt. Hope cemetery for cemetery purposes:- on condition that no lot (one rod square) shall be sold for more than thirty-five dollars. And until such time as he shall transfer a part or all of said portion to the town he shall keep the avenues and alleys thereof mowed and in good condition for travel.

ART. 34. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to appoint a committee of citizens to investigate and report at the next town meeting on the possibility of establishing a town forest and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25 for the use of the committee for this purpose.

ART. 35. To see if the town will vote to instruct the School Committee to purchase the wood, which has been cut on the town lot, for fuel in the schools.

ART. 36. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Polls to be opened at ten o'clock A. M. and closed at four o'clock P. M. unless otherwise ordered by vote of the town.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Congregational church, one on the Community League Hall, one at Dwight and one at Keyes' hotel, seven days at least before the time of holding aforesaid meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-fifth day of January, A. D. 1922.

RUDD E. FAIRCHILD
H. H. WARD
J. J. GARVEY

Selectmen of Belchertown

Warden's Report

JANUARY 1 TO MARCH 31

Received on town farm during January and February

Rec'd for milk	\$226.21
labor with team	18.00
hearse hire	4.00
	\$248.21

Paid out on town farm during January and February

Paid washing and ironing	\$ 5.85
B. A. Butler, labor	18.00
treasurer	224.36
	\$248.21

Received on town farm during March

Rec'd for milk	\$85.18
calves	32.00
labor with team	37.00
hearse hire	4.00
hose	5.00
drawing ties and logs	105.69
hay	95.48
	\$364.35

Paid out on town farm during March

Paid B. A. Butler, labor	\$ 10.00
H. H. Witt, stock service	5.00
A. E. Dodge, repairing roller	6.00
Mrs. Charles Morse, ironing	4.25
treasurer	339.10
	\$364.35

WORK DONE OUTSIDE

by town farm team, value estimated by Warden

Mowing park twice	\$ 7.00
Hearse call at depot	3.50
1½ cords wood for Fairchild	3.50
Drawing logs from lot, 8 days at \$7.00	56.00
1 day drawing logs to mill	7.00
1 " " out lumber	7.00
1 " " in logs and delivering bridge plank and stringers	7.00
1 day getting railing poles and logs	7.00
Horse snaking logs 6 days	12.00
Cleaning school yard, 32 hours	28.00
Drawing out lumber, ½ day	3.50
Work on town road, 1 day	7.00
2 small loads wood at town hall	2.00
1 cord wood at town hall	3.50
Ties, 251 at crossing at .23	57.73
	\$201.73

Received at town farm from April 1, 1921 to Jan. 1, 1922

Rec'd for milk	\$ 1,493.10
potatoes	166.45
labor with team	53.50
eggs	17.22
calves	33.50
pork	22.36
apples	16.00
turnips	2.55
cider apples	1.75

Rec'd for cows	60.00
ice	.50
chickens	20.80
Powell estate	130.00
due from city of Springfield	114.85
R. Shaw, hearse call	3.50
team work for town	206.73
	\$2340.81

1 inmate
 1 " cared for 4 weeks
 3 inmates " " 9 "
 8 hearse calls
 9 prisoners
 7 tramps

Paid out at town farm

Paid C. Clark, barbering	\$ 9.00
laundry	35.60
A. Vezina, bread	2.69
labor	102.25
pigs	13.60
calf	5.00
butchering	4 00
L. Nutting, crow repellant	1.50
Watkin's lice powder	.35
peaches	4.00
chair seats	.30
H. Peck, groceries	12.65
Watkin's Powder	.75
H. Ketchen, collodion	.35
Incidentals	21.35
	\$213.49

C. M. RHODES, *Warden*

The town accountant is unable to verify all items contained in this report.

W. E. SHAW, *Town Accountant*

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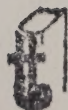
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